

# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩

Round 1172  
In Pursuit of What's Next

GEORGE MORIKAWA





# HAJIME NO IPPO

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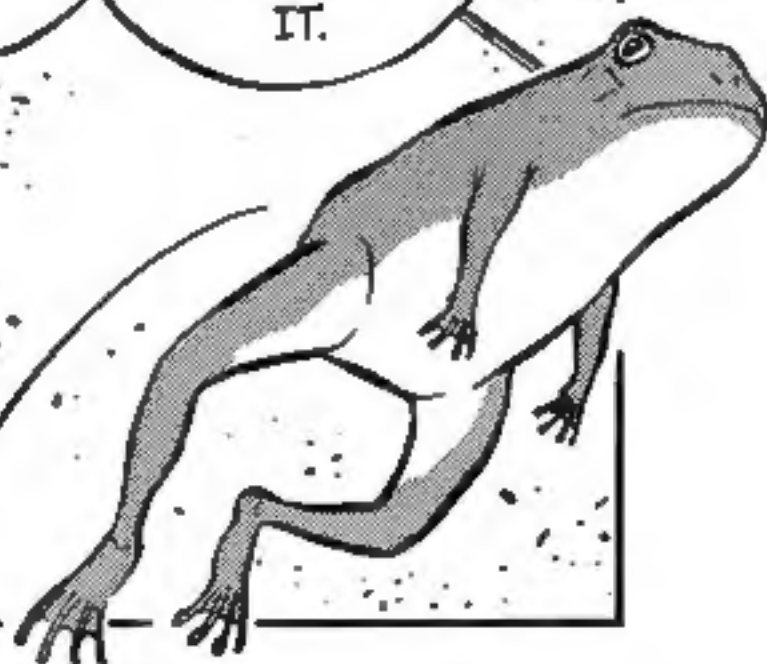
IF YOU'RE  
FIGHTING AOKI,  
YOU'RE BOUND  
TO SEE IT POP  
UP IN FILM.

THE  
FROG  
PUNCH  
IS MORE  
OR LESS  
FAMOUS  
AT THIS  
POINT.

AND ONCE  
IT'S BEEN  
BLOCKED, ALL  
THAT'S LEFT IS  
MUD WRES-  
TLING.

ALL YOU  
GOTTA DO  
IS CALMLY  
KEEP YOUR  
GUARD UP  
WHEN YOU  
EXPECT  
IT.

THESE  
IDIOTS  
JUST KEEP  
ON GIVING  
BOXING  
A BAD  
NAME.







YES!!



I'M GLAD THAT I CAME TONIGHT!

WHAT A SIGHT! WOW, THAT WAS GREAT!

WINNER BY KO!

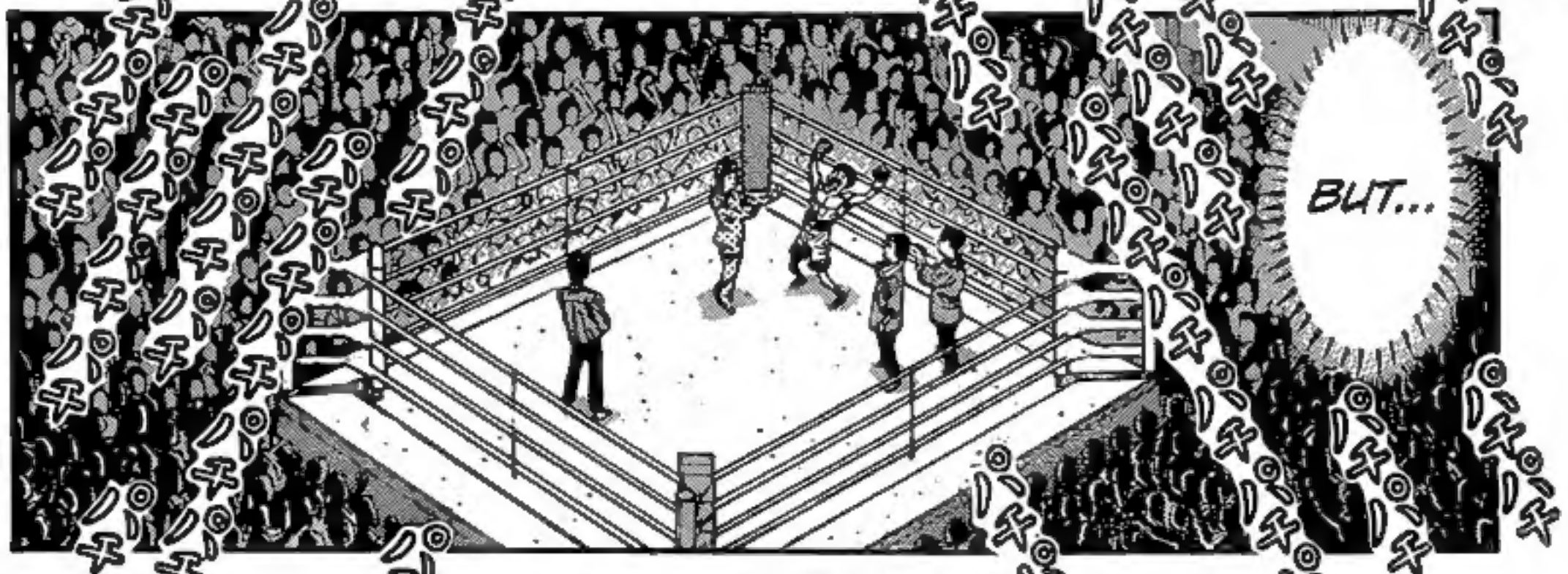
Tomiko!

WHAT THE...

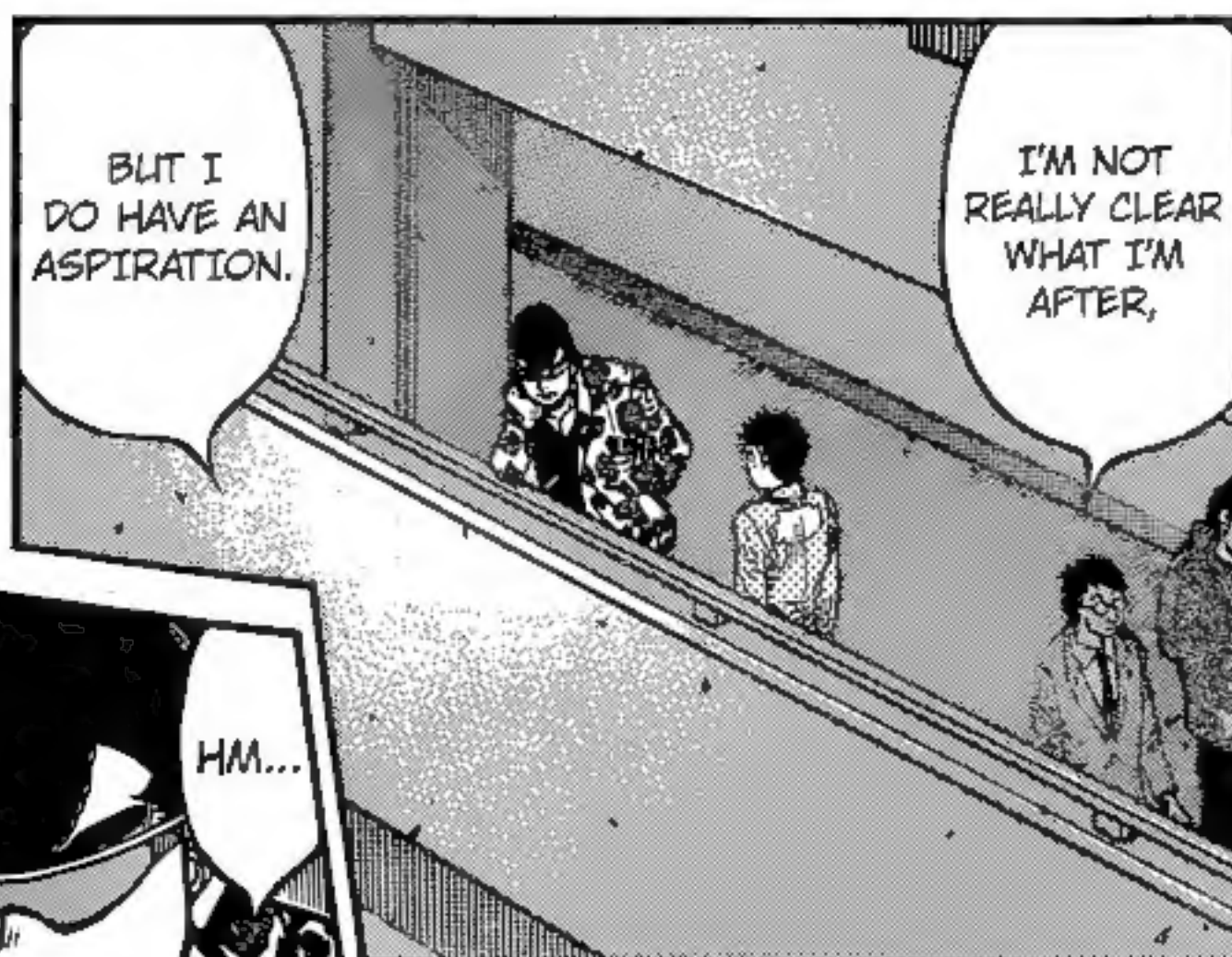
HE WON BY KO!











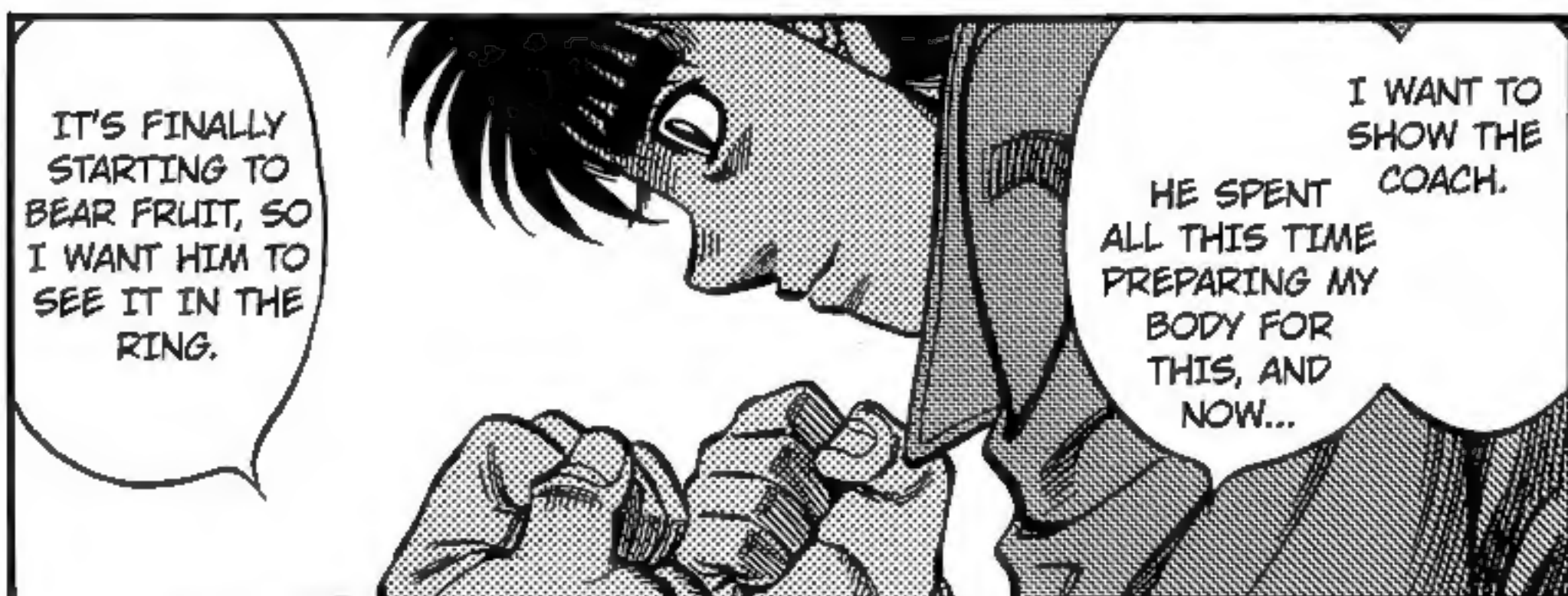




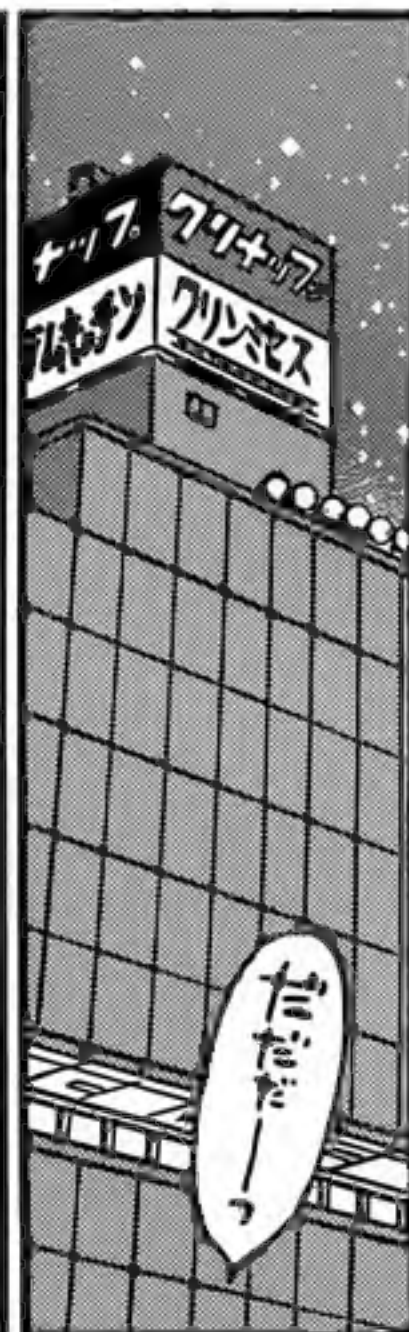




WHO?











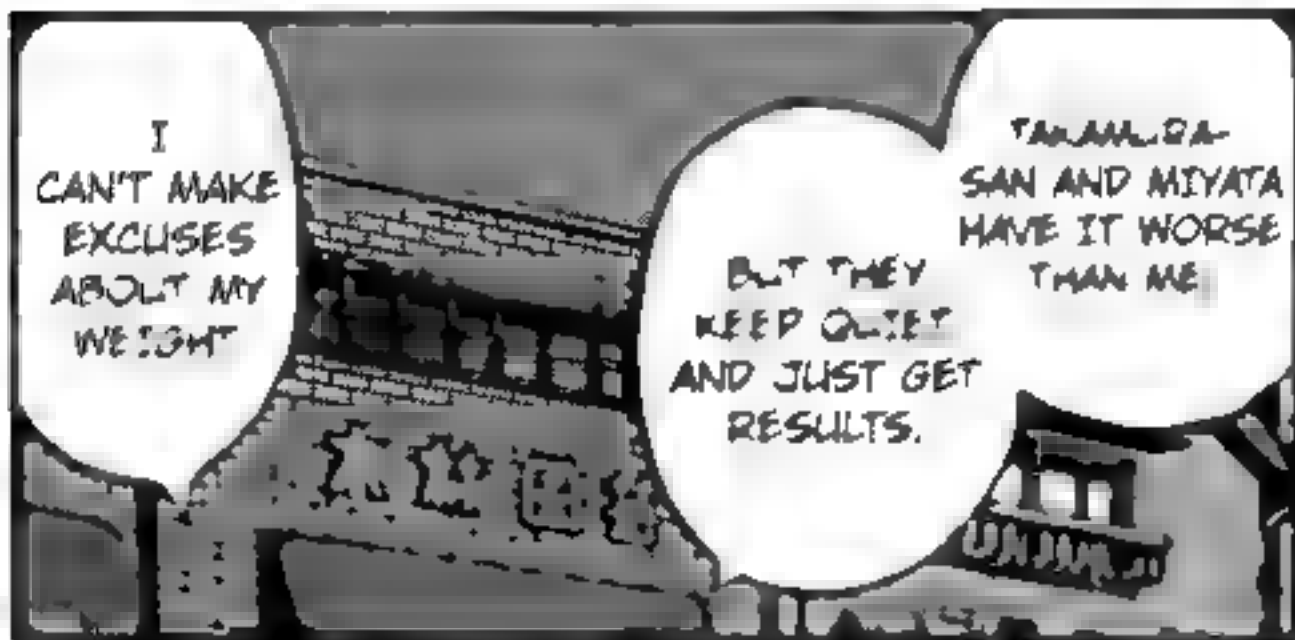








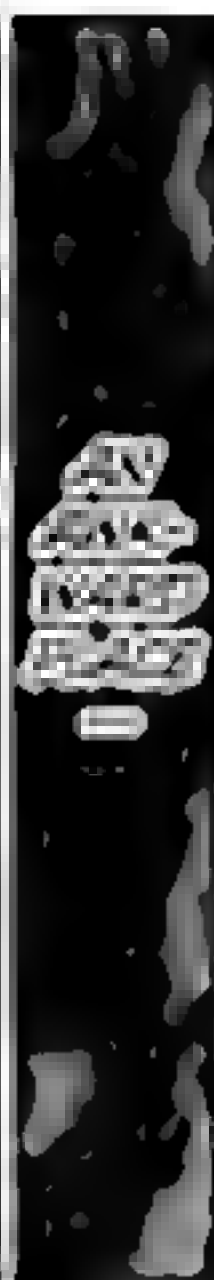






WHO  
ARE LOOKING  
STRAIGHT AHEAD  
AND MAKING  
PROGRESS.

GET IN  
THE WAY  
OF THE  
FOLKS







鴨川ボウリング

YES,  
SIR!

YOUR  
TURN,  
KID!

WITH WORDS ABOUT AOKI ECHOING IN HIS HEART...



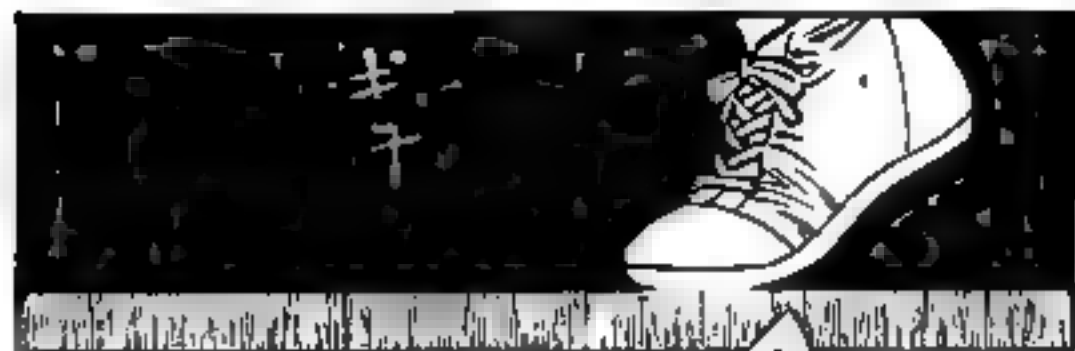
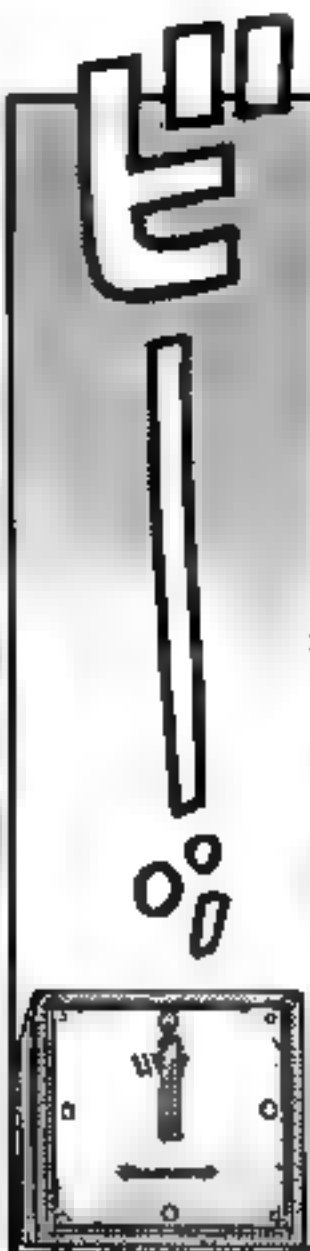
SERIOUS TRAINING FOR HIS RETURN BEGINS NOW!



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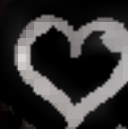
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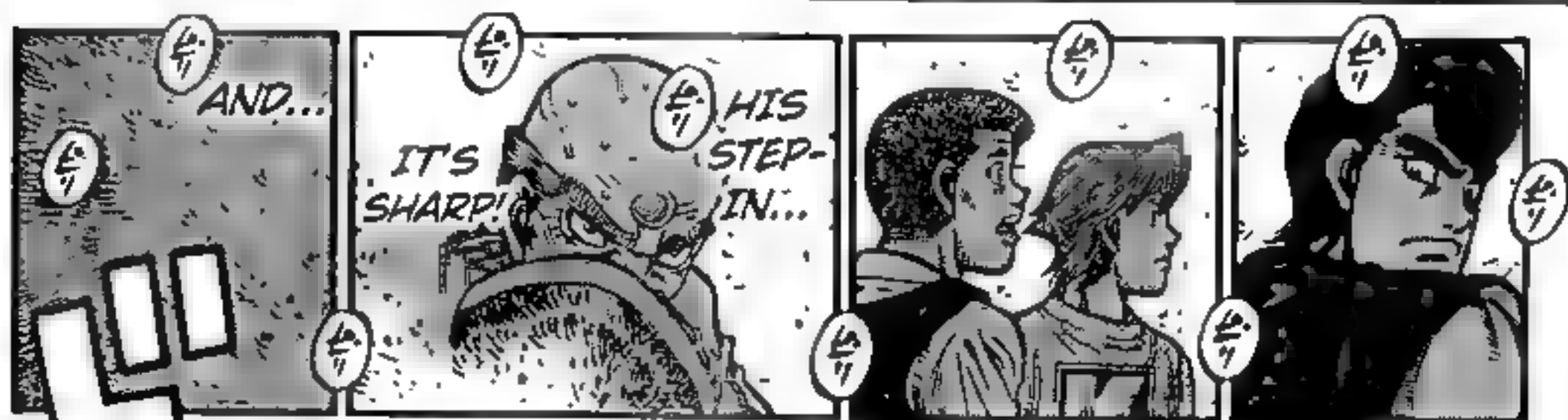
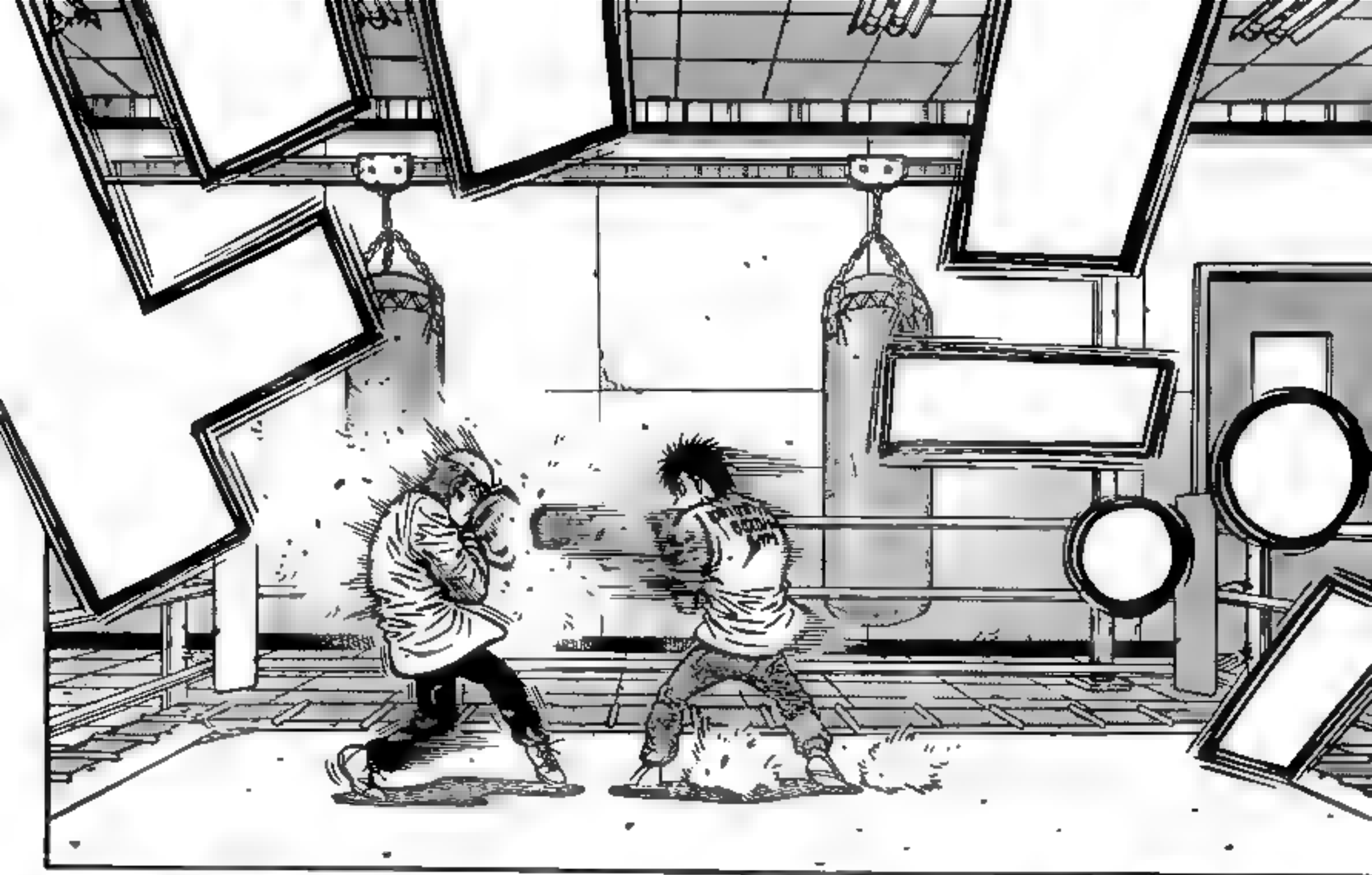


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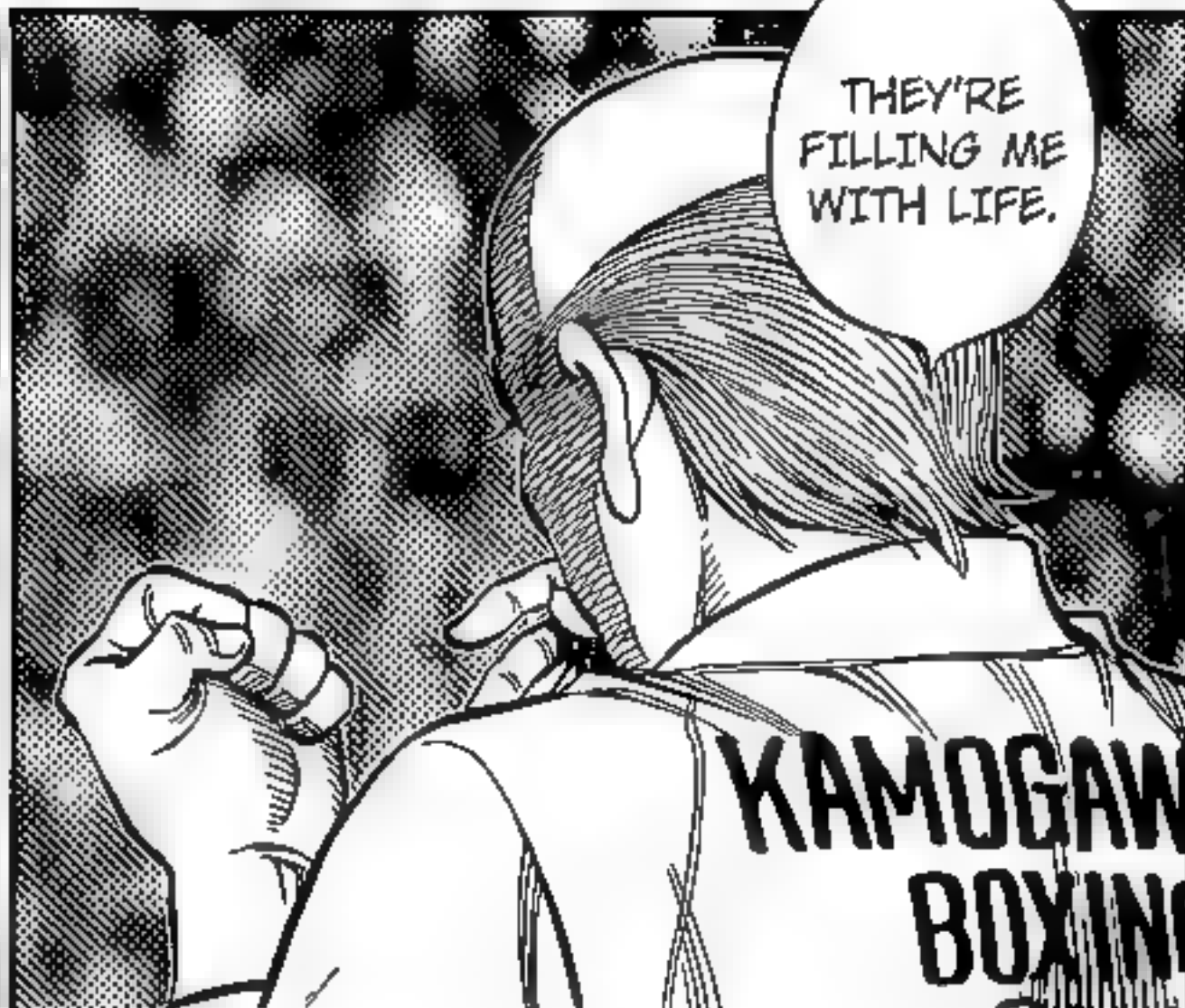






THEIR  
YOUTH  
IS BEING  
PRESSED  
INTO ME.

I  
CAN FEEL  
THE HEAT  
THROUGH  
THEIR  
GLOVES.



THEY'RE  
FILLING ME  
WITH LIFE.

KAMOGAWA  
BOXING



WITH AN  
OLD FOOL  
LIKE ME.

THEY'RE  
SHARING  
THEIR  
SOULS



TWO  
MONTHS  
FROM  
NOW...

THEN LET'S  
GO AHEAD  
WITH OUR  
PLANS.



HOW  
ARE THEY  
DOING?



GOOD!



THEN I  
SUPPOSE  
I CAN'T  
COMPLAIN.





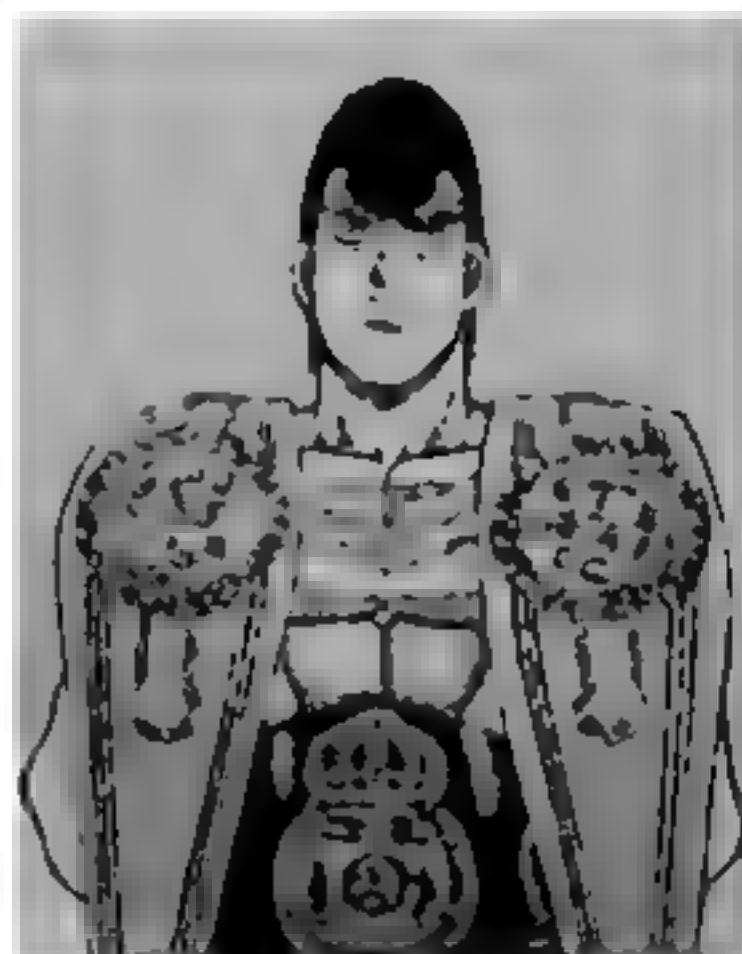
# MONTHLY BOXING FAN



IT'S THE SAME OLD STORY WITH TAKAMURA.



## TAKAMURA MAMORU TO DEFEND THE WORLD MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLES



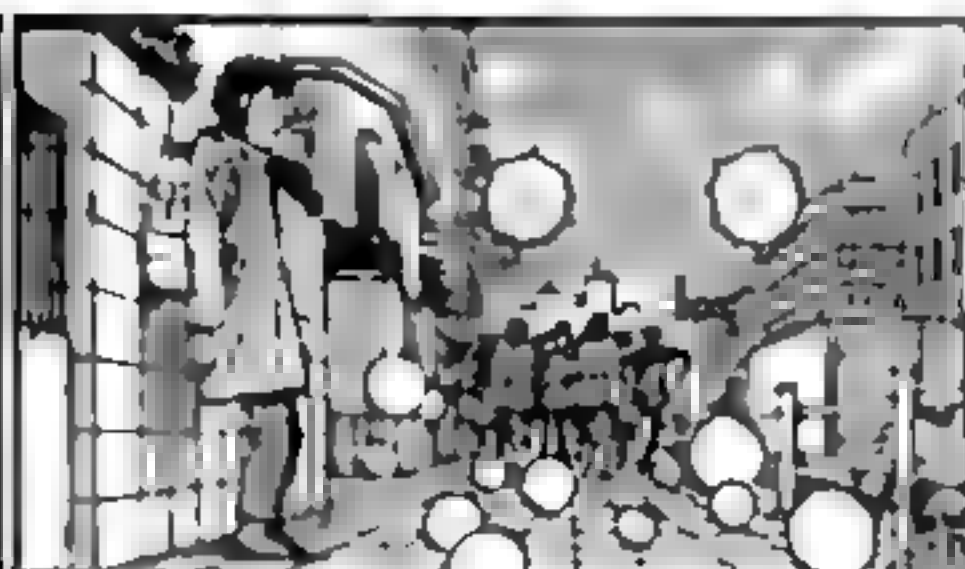
HAVING UNIFIED THE WBA AND WBC WORLD MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLES, TAKAMURA MAMORU WILL NOW BE DEFENDING THEM. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST UNIFIED TITLE DEFENSE HELD IN JAPAN. TAKAMURA, WHO IS UNDEFEATED WITH ALL KIDS SINCE HIS DEBUT, HAS A RECORD THAT IS A FIRST FOR THE NATION, LEADING THIS TO BE A HIGHLY ANTICIPATED MATCH.

THE SEMI-FINAL OF THE NIGHT IS MAX JACQUEMONT'S RETURN MATCH. MAX JACQUEMONT'S PERFORMANCE WILL DEMONSTRATE THE JOCKEY OF HIS SUCCESS AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL. WILL HE BE ABLE TO UNLEASH HIS BIG GUNS ONCE AGAIN?



NAME	AGE	WEIGHT	RECORD
TAKAMURA MAMORU	24	154	10-0-0
MAX JACQUEMONT	28	154	12-3-1
JOHN DOE	22	154	8-2-0
JANE DOE	21	154	5-1-0
BOB DOE	23	154	7-4-2
ALICE DOE	20	154	6-0-0
CHARLIE DOE	25	154	9-1-1
DAVE DOE	26	154	11-2-0
EVE DOE	19	154	4-0-0
FRANK DOE	27	154	10-5-3
GRACE DOE	24	154	8-1-0
HEIDI DOE	22	154	7-3-1
IGOR DOE	21	154	6-2-0
JACK DOE	23	154	9-0-1
JANE DOE	20	154	5-1-0
KARL DOE	25	154	10-4-2
LUCAS DOE	26	154	11-1-0
MARIA DOE	19	154	4-0-0
NICK DOE	27	154	10-5-3
OLIVIA DOE	24	154	8-1-0
PETER DOE	22	154	7-3-1
QUINN DOE	21	154	6-2-0
RICHARD DOE	23	154	9-0-1
SARAH DOE	20	154	5-1-0
TIM DOE	25	154	10-4-2
URSULA DOE	26	154	11-1-0
VICTOR DOE	19	154	4-0-0
WENDY DOE	27	154	10-5-3
Xavier DOE	24	154	8-1-0
Yvonne DOE	22	154	7-3-1
Zoe DOE	21	154	6-2-0







WHERE'S MY  
SUPER MIDDLE-  
WEIGHT TITLE  
FIGHT?!

WHY'S IT AN-  
OTHER TITLE  
DEFENSE,  
DAMNITT?!

LET'S GET  
THIS SIX WEIGHT  
CLASS CONQUEST  
DONE WITH  
ALREADY

ALL  
THESE TITLE  
DEFENSES ARE  
A PAIN IN  
THE ASS!

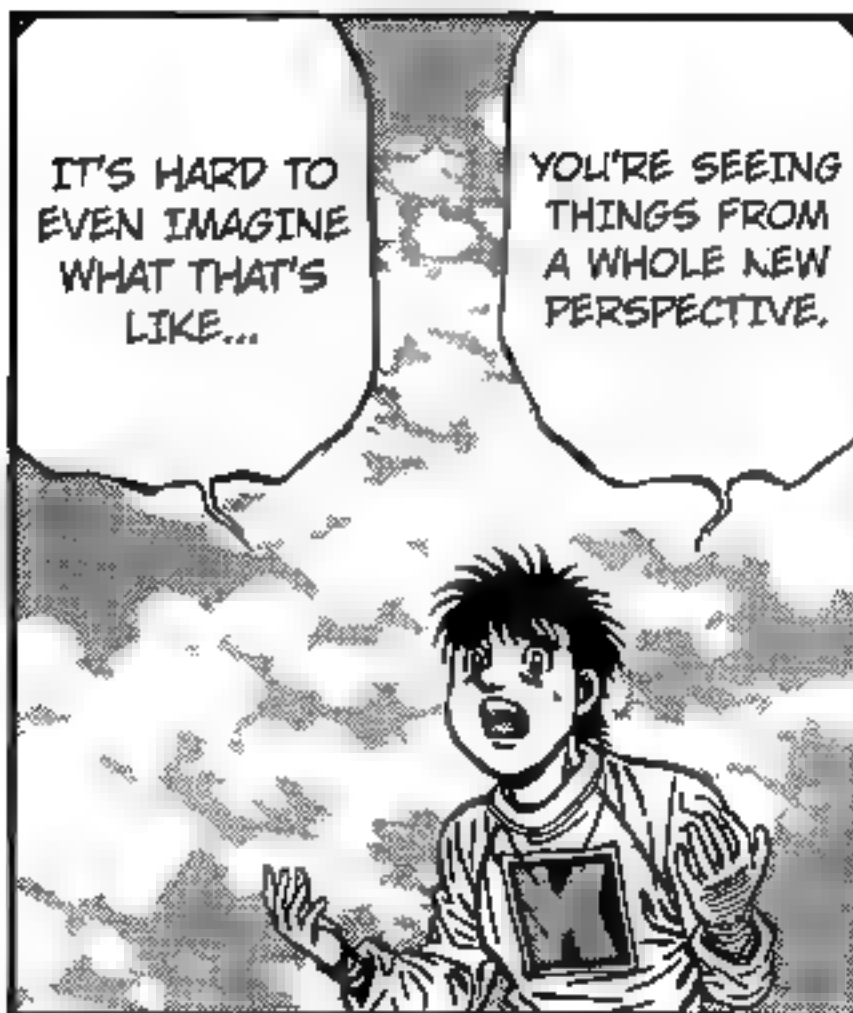
DON'T  
CARE, DON'T  
CARE, DON'T  
CARE!

PEOPLE  
WANT TO  
SEE IT!

BUT IT'S  
AMAZING  
THAT YOU'RE  
DEFENDING  
THE UNIFIED  
TITLES!

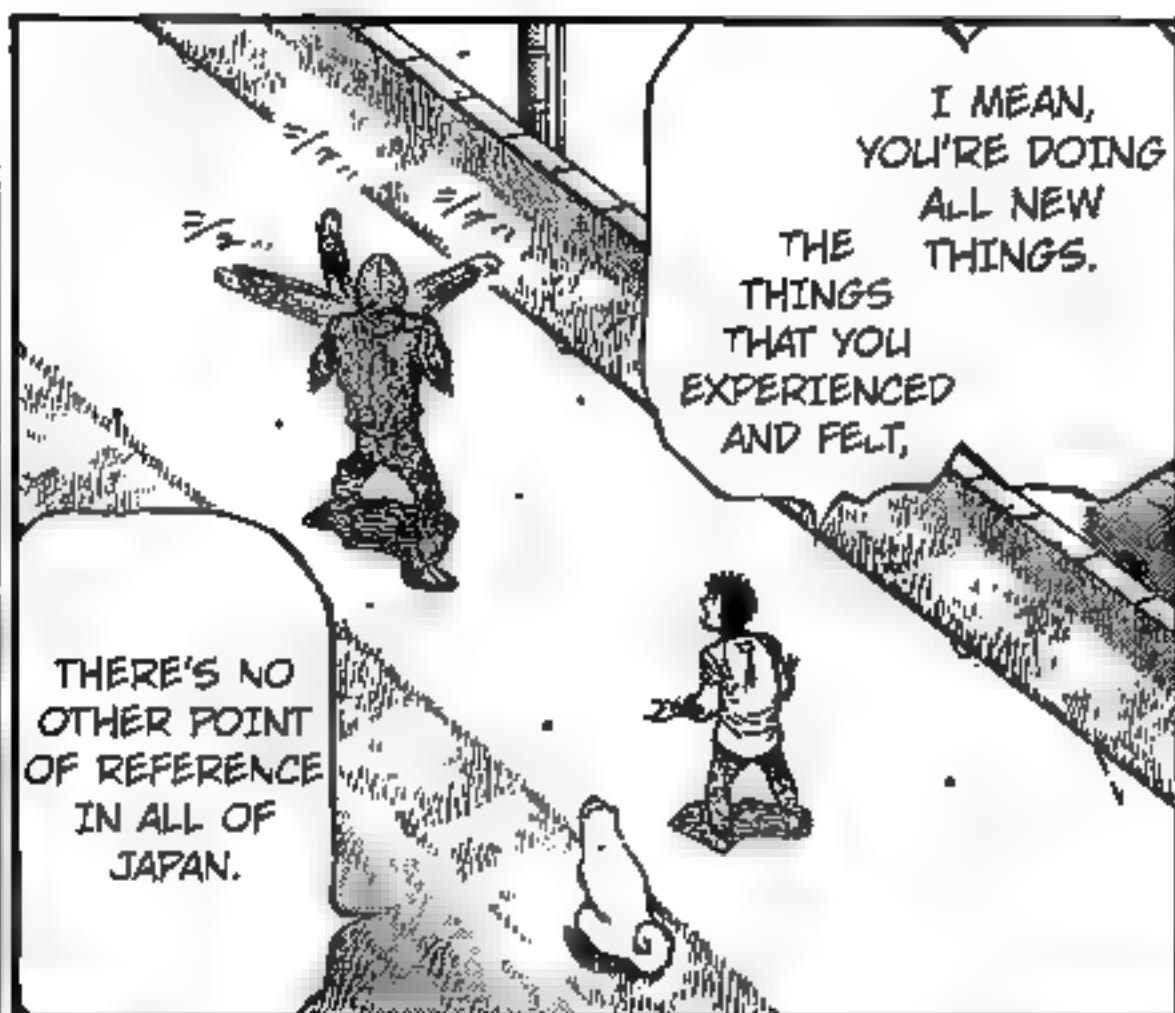






IT'S HARD TO  
EVEN IMAGINE  
WHAT THAT'S  
LIKE...

YOU'RE SEEING  
THINGS FROM  
A WHOLE NEW  
PERSPECTIVE.



I MEAN,  
YOU'RE DOING  
ALL NEW  
THINGS.  
THE  
THINGS  
THAT YOU  
EXPERIENCED  
AND FELT,

THERE'S NO  
OTHER POINT  
OF REFERENCE  
IN ALL OF  
JAPAN.



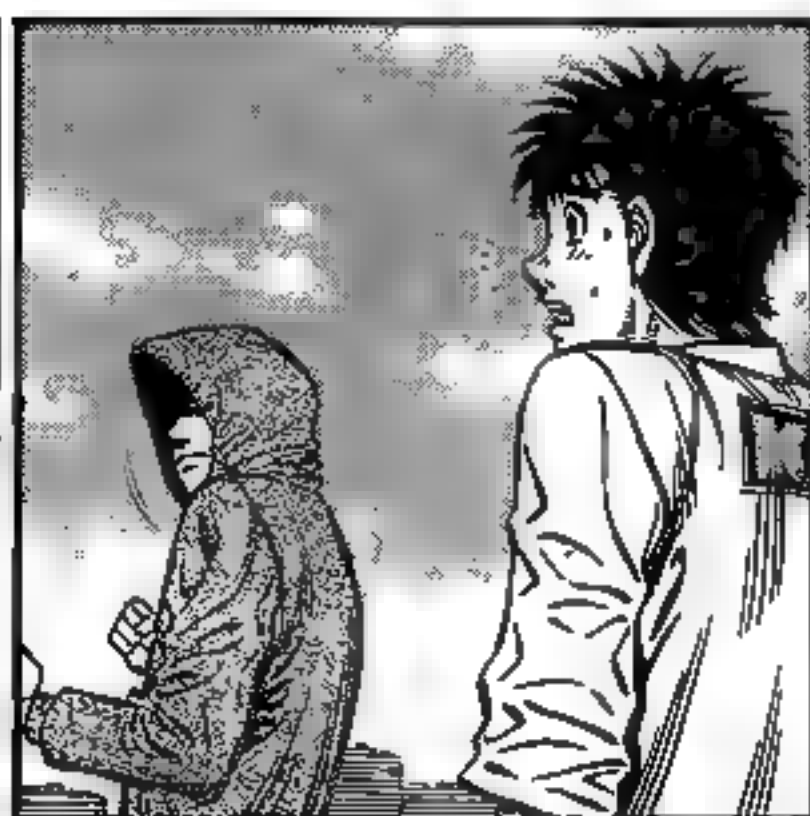
SINCE  
NO ONE COULD  
UNDERSTAND,  
THERE'S NO  
NEED TO ACT  
SO SOUR.



WHAT ARE  
GETTING  
AT?



WELL,  
I GLESS  
I MEAN TO  
SAY...



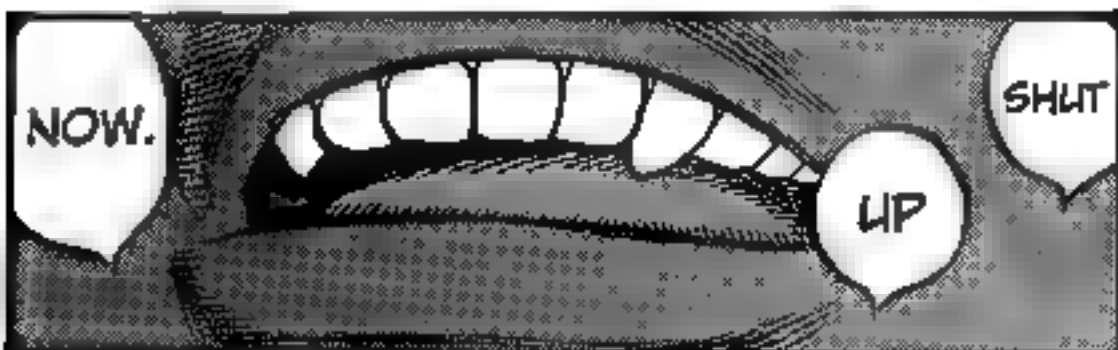
IF NOT,  
PEOPLE  
WILL STOP  
SUPPORT-  
ING YOU.



SHUT  
UP.



SHUT  
UP.



NOW.

SHUT

UP



I'M SURE  
THAT YOU'LL  
DEFINITELY  
ACHIEVE  
YOUR GOAL  
ONE DAY!

IF YOU FOCUS  
ON THINGS ONE  
STEP AT A TIME  
INSTEAD OF  
GETTING SO  
IRRITATED,



TAKAMURA-  
SAN...

SOMETIMES  
I WONDER...



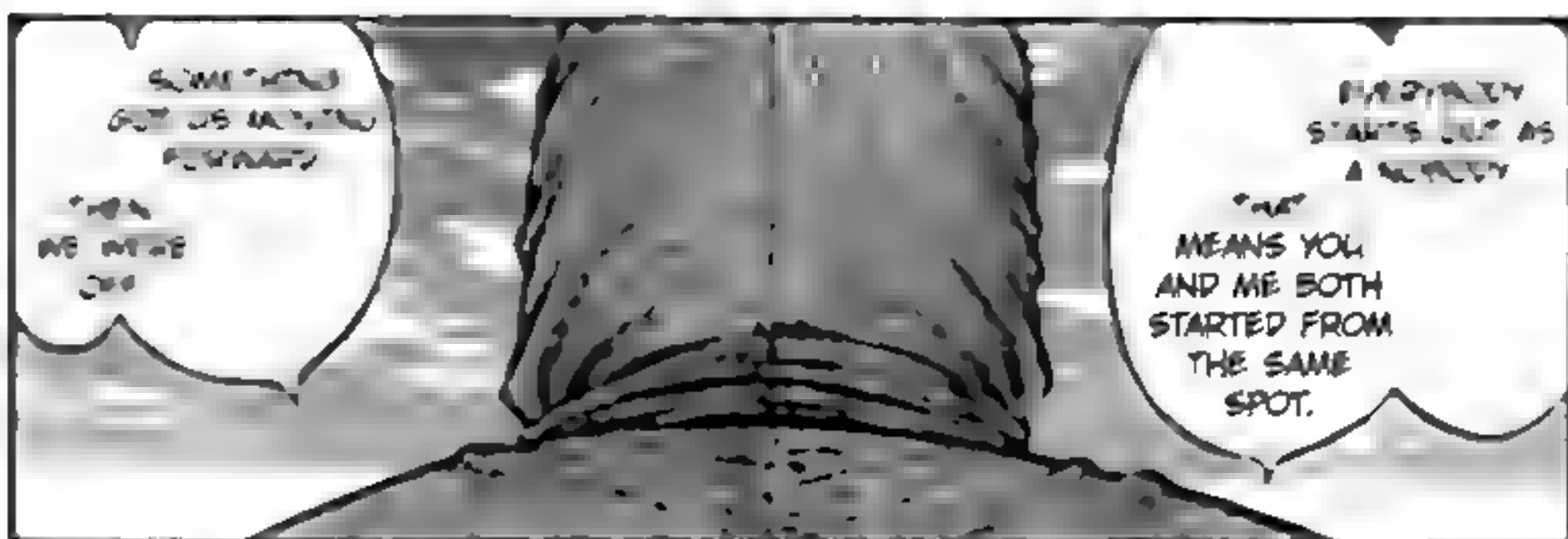
AREN'T YOU  
LONELY?



AND YOU  
AREN'T GUESS  
THE POINT OF  
BE LONELY  
STILL

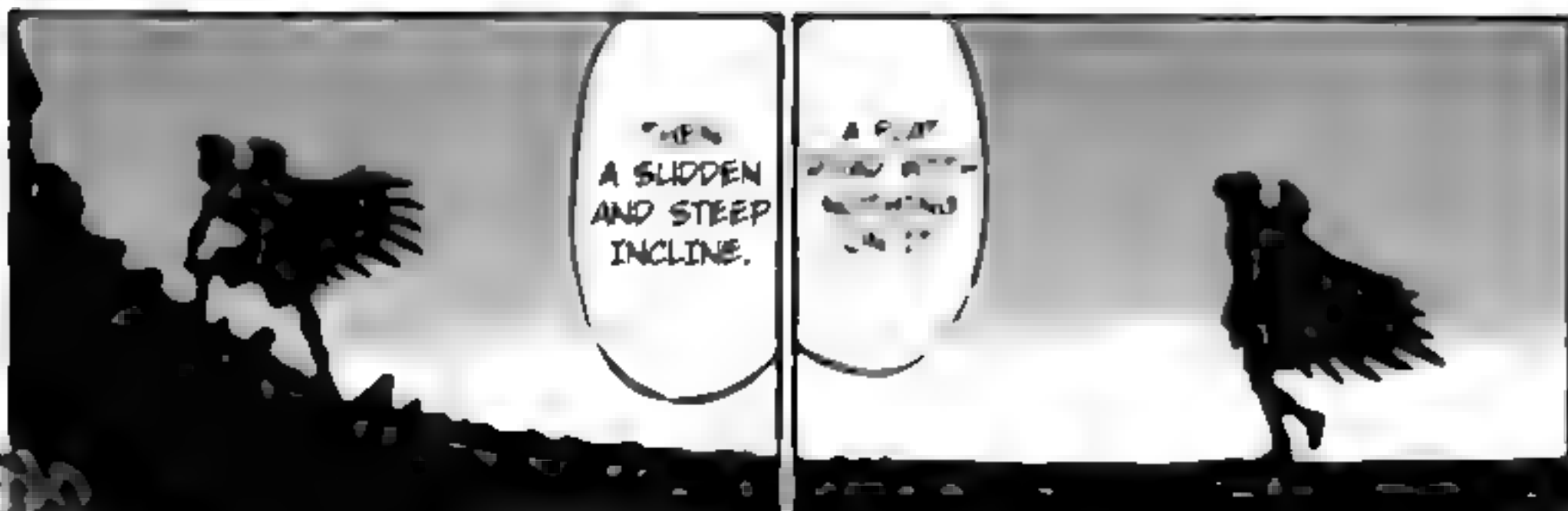
I MEAN,  
YOU'RE IN A  
POSITION NO  
ONE ELSE  
UNDER-  
STANDS

LMA



SOMEHOW  
GOT US INTO THE  
PRESENT  
THEN  
WE WERE  
OFF


PRESENTLY  
STARTS OUT AS  
A SILENCE  
THAT  
MEANS YOU  
AND ME BOTH  
STARTED FROM  
THE SAME  
SPOT.



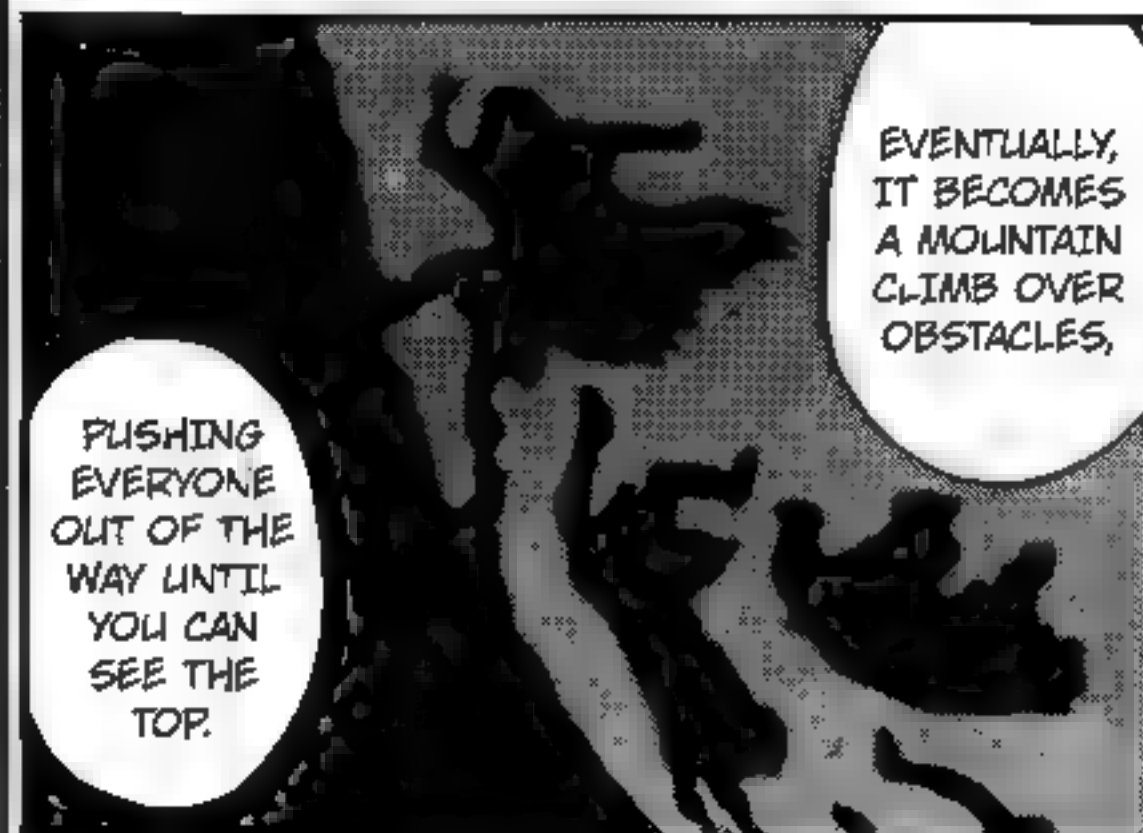
THEN  
A SUDDEN  
AND STEEP  
INCLINE.

A FEW  
MOMENTS  
LATER



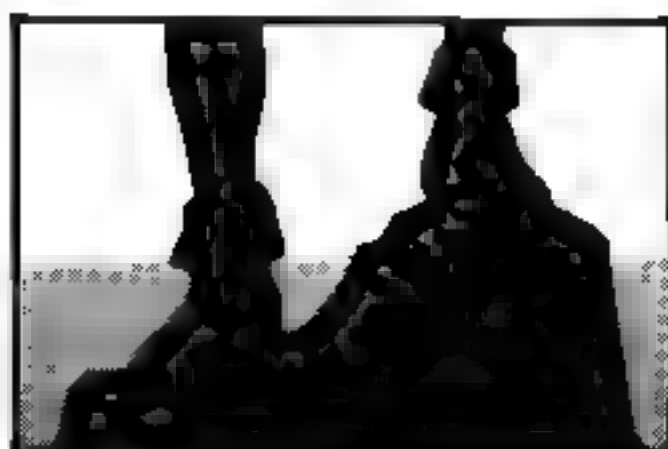


THERE'S  
ONLY ENOUGH  
FOOTING FOR  
ONE PERSON  
UP THERE.



PUSHING  
EVERYONE  
OUT OF THE  
WAY UNTIL  
YOU CAN  
SEE THE  
TOP.

EVENTUALLY,  
IT BECOMES  
A MOUNTAIN  
CLIMB OVER  
OBSTACLES,



WHEN  
THE LAST  
OBSTACLE  
IS GONE,

AND  
EVERYONE  
IS TRYING  
TO MAKE  
THEIR WAY  
UP TO  
SEE  
IT.



YOU GET  
A VIEW THAT  
ONLY OTHERS  
WHO HAVE  
MADE IT  
THAT FAR  
CAN SEE,



THERE  
YOU ARE.

SOME  
SHIT LIKE  
LONELY.

DON'T  
CALL A  
PLACE WE  
ALL AIM  
FOR

CALL  
IT EXTRA-  
ORDINARY.









HE'S  
BATTLING  
HISTORY  
ITSELF!

ALL  
THOSE  
FAMOUS  
NAMES  
HE'S AT  
THE TOP, BUT  
LOOKING EVEN  
HIGHER.



I'M  
PRETTY  
SURE I  
CAN'T

I DON'T  
THINK I  
CAN DO  
THAT.

THAT  
IS...

I DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT TO  
SAY



THERE'S  
ALWAYS A  
CHANCE,  
BUT.

UHM



YOU  
CAN'T



JUST  
GO FOR  
IT.

DON'T  
THINK

YOU ALWAYS  
THINK ABOUT  
WHETHER OR NOT  
YOU CAN DO  
SOMETHING.

STARS LIKE  
LOUIS, ALI, AND  
ROBINSON.

THEY ALL  
GRIN DOWN  
AT YOU.





IT'S THAT  
SIMPLE!

YOU  
DO IT  
OR YOU  
DON'T.



DO IT OR  
DON'T...

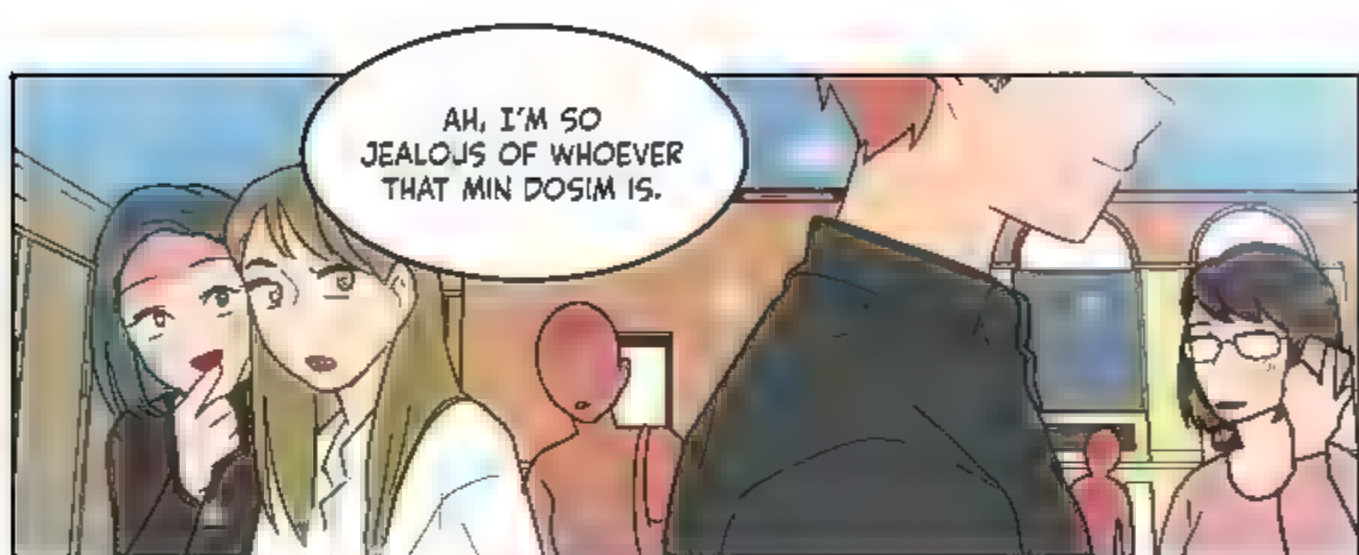
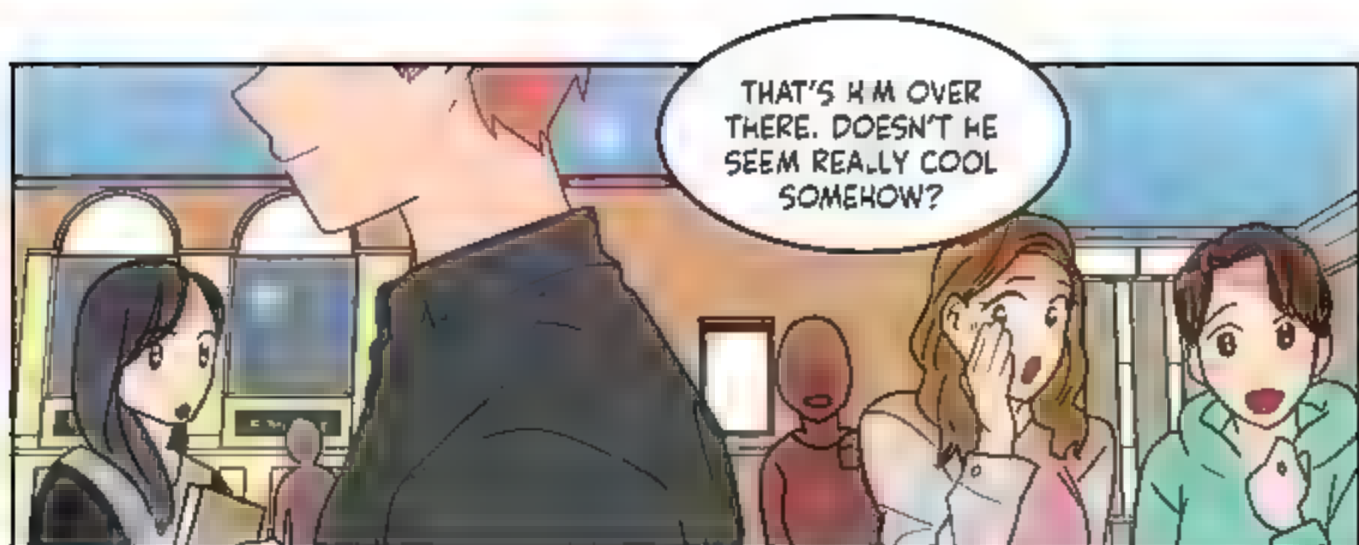


THE FIRE OF DETERMINATION. THE TIME OF HIS RETURN IS NIGH!



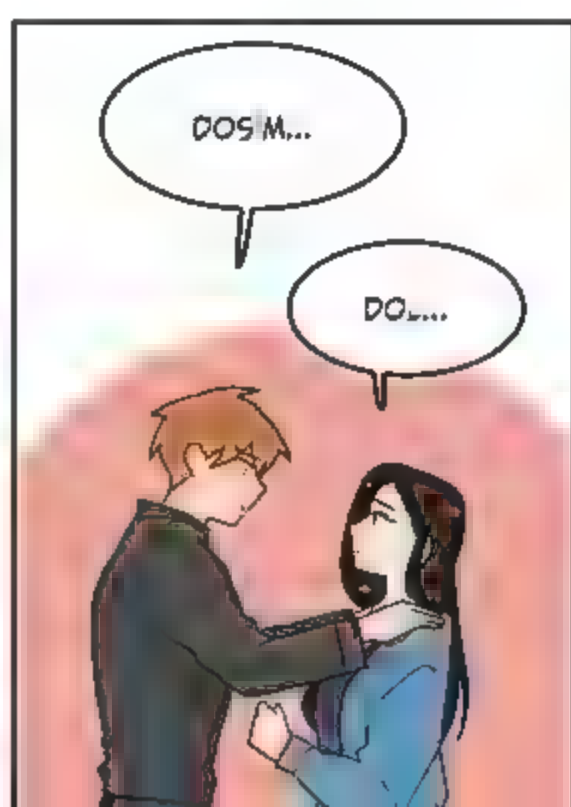
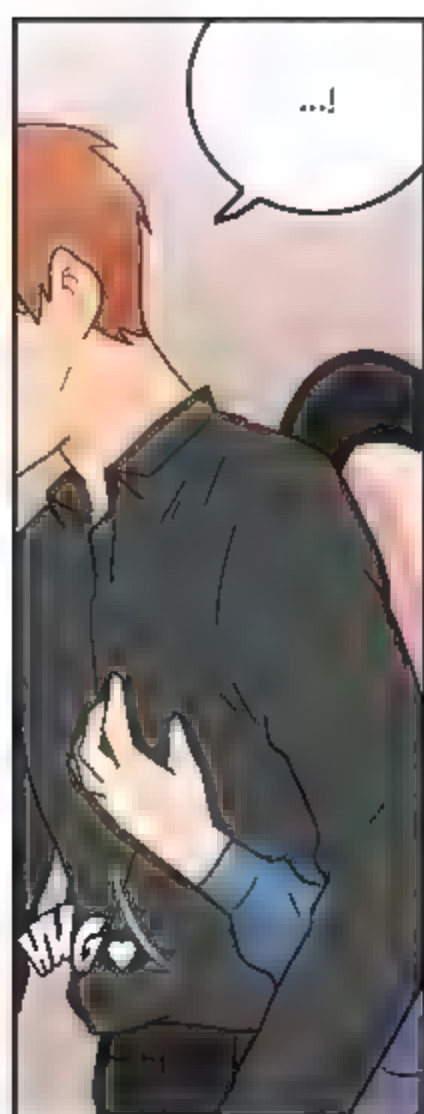
I'LL  
DO  
IT!!

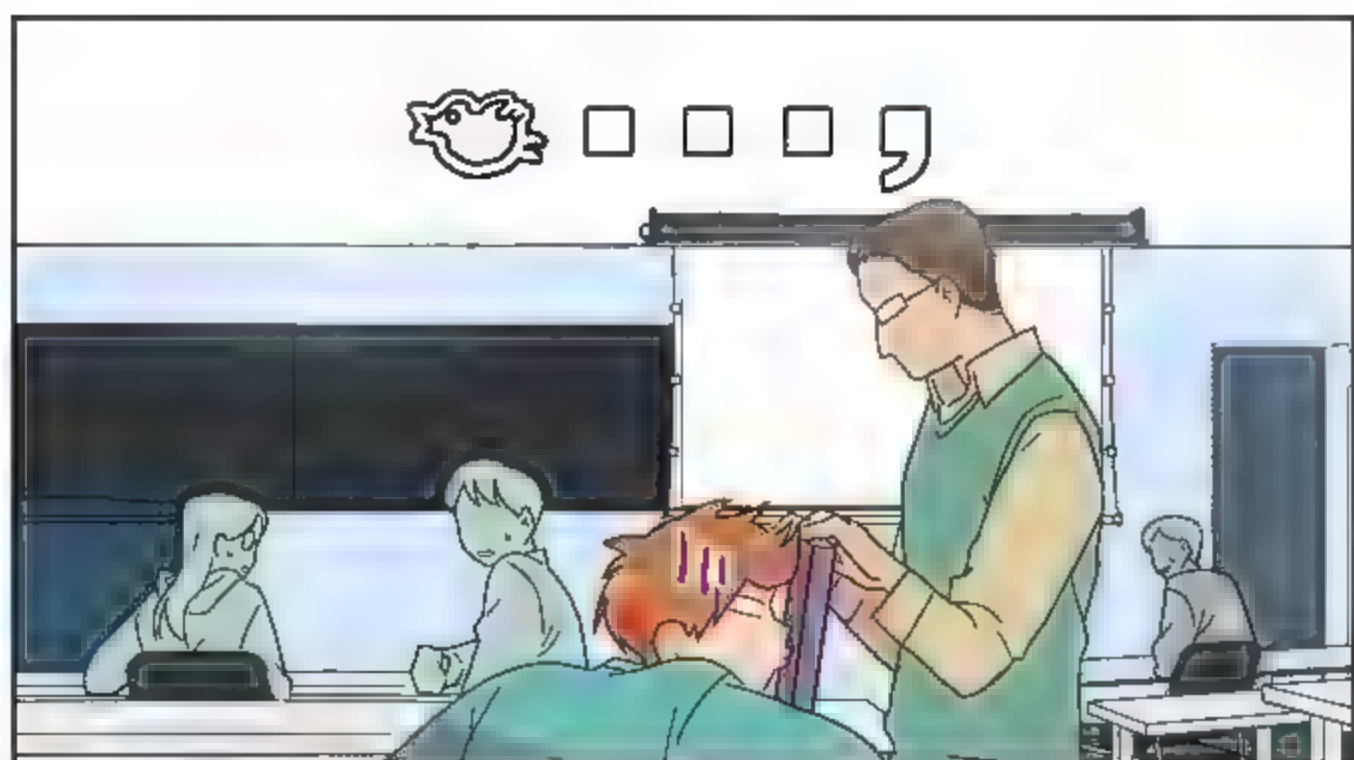
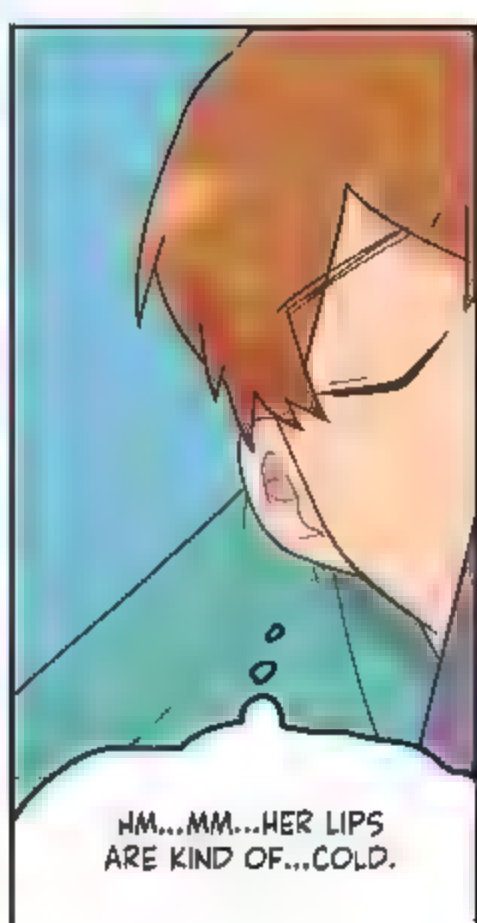
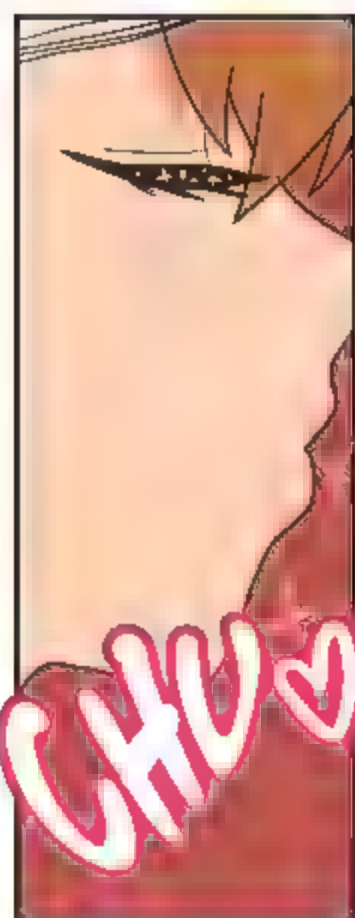
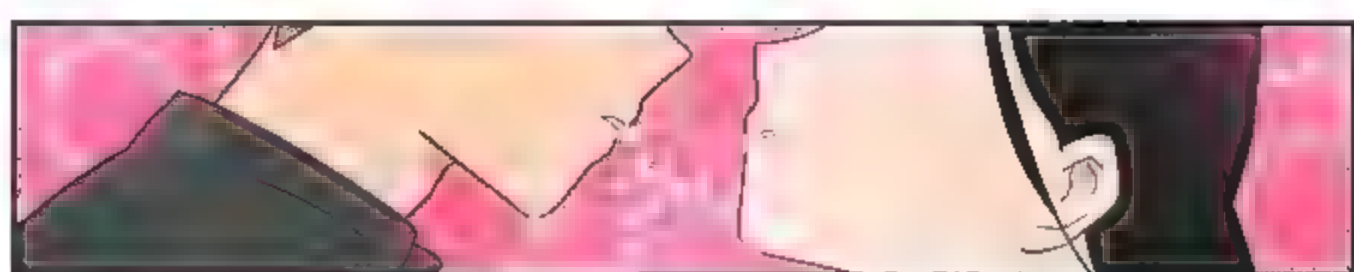
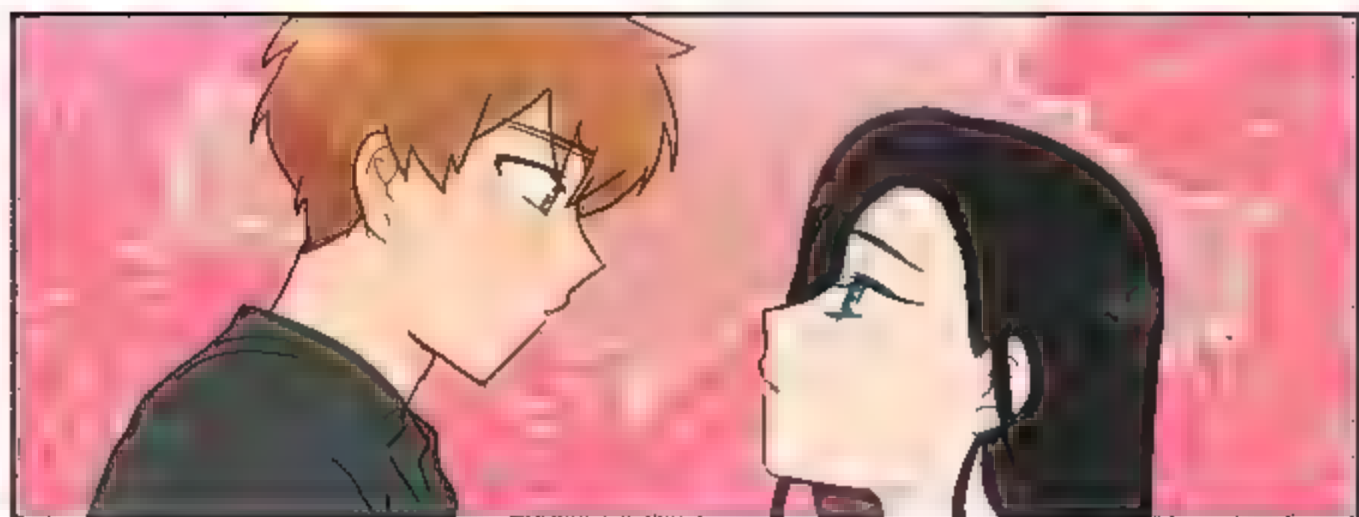
I  
HAVE MY  
RETURN  
MATCH.



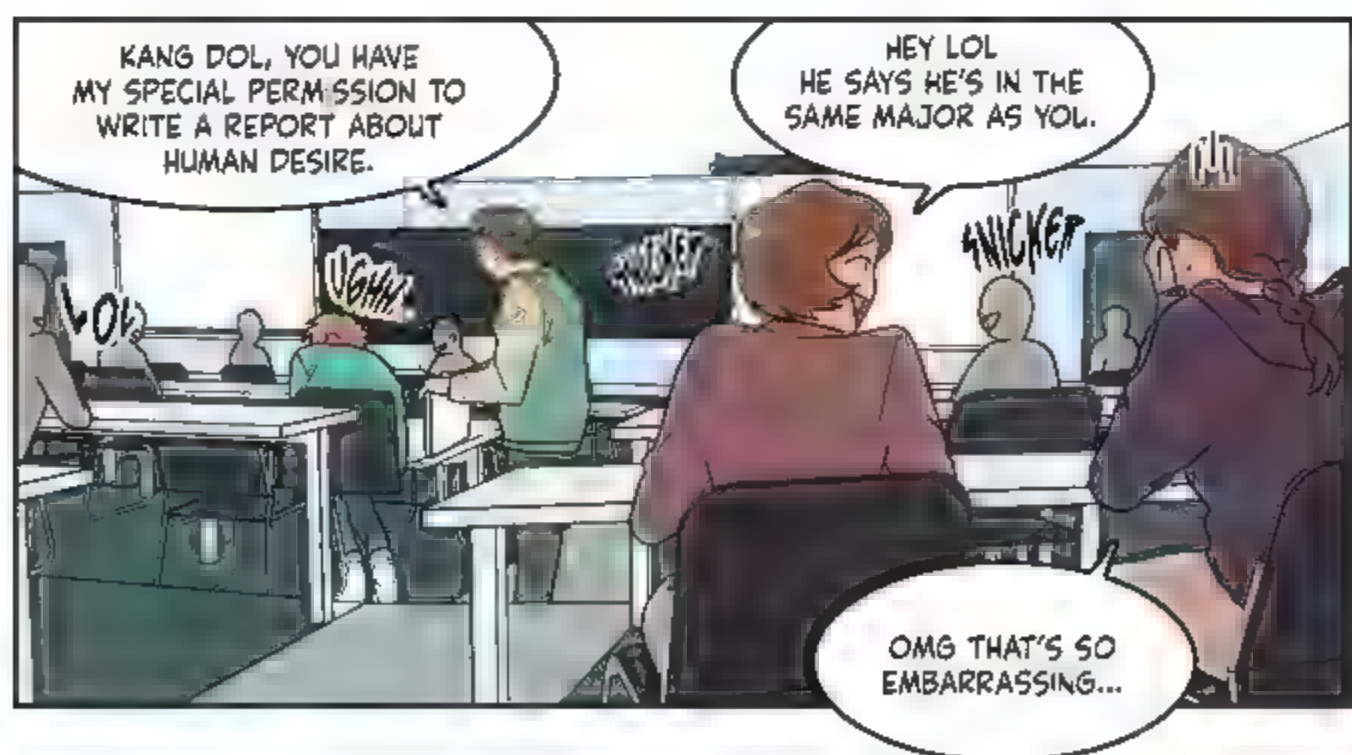
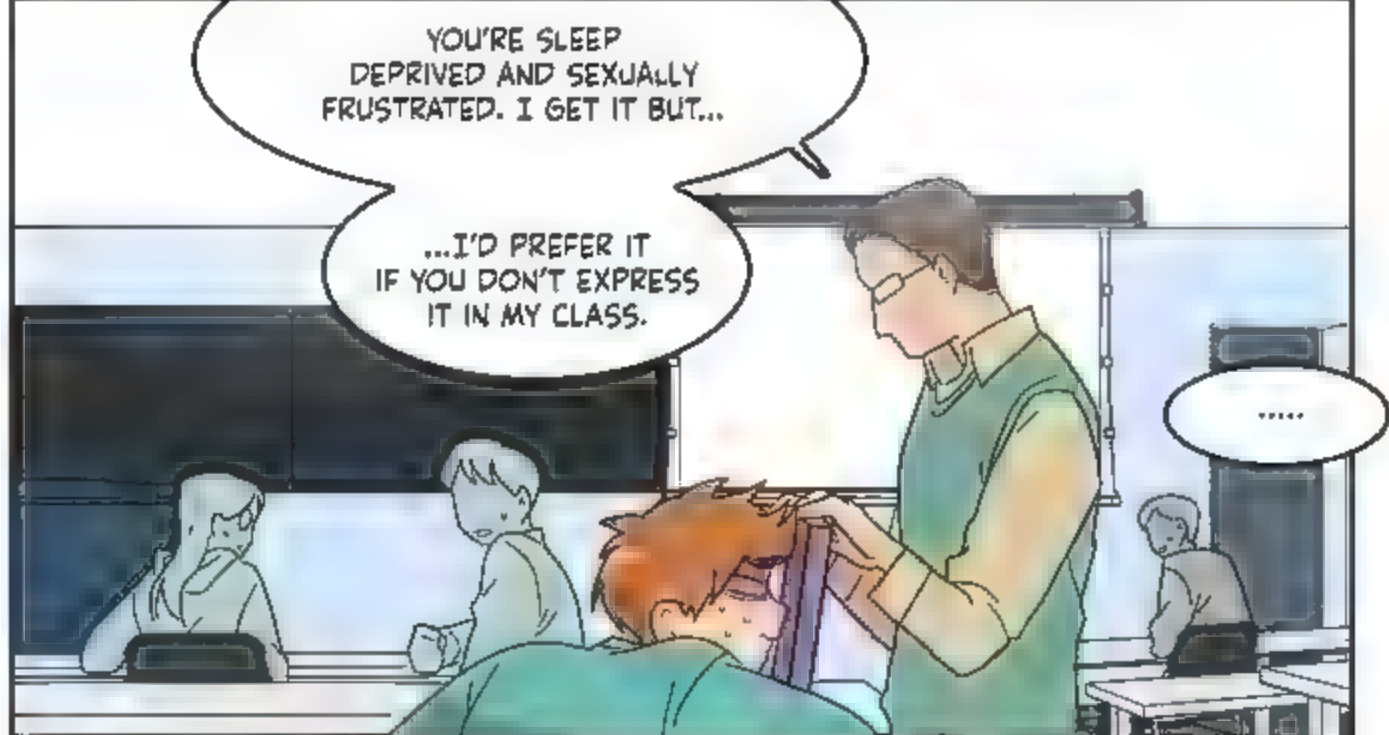
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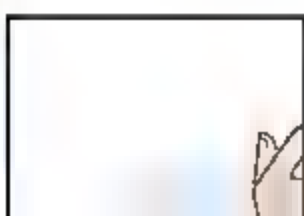
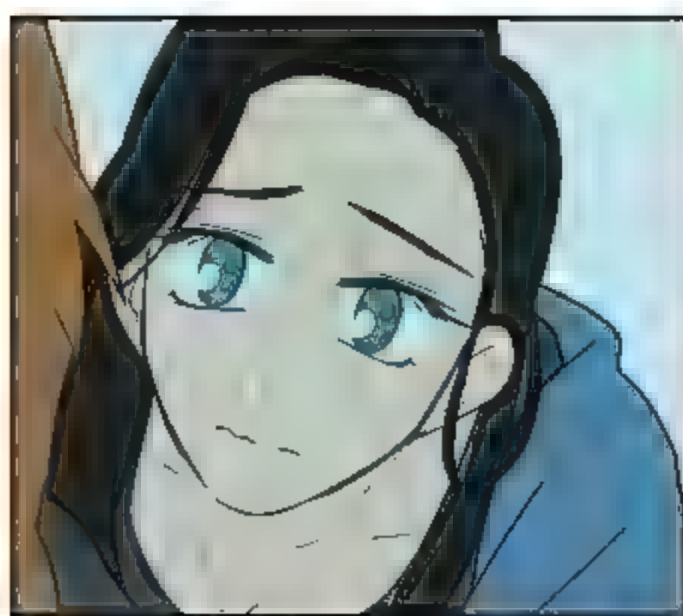
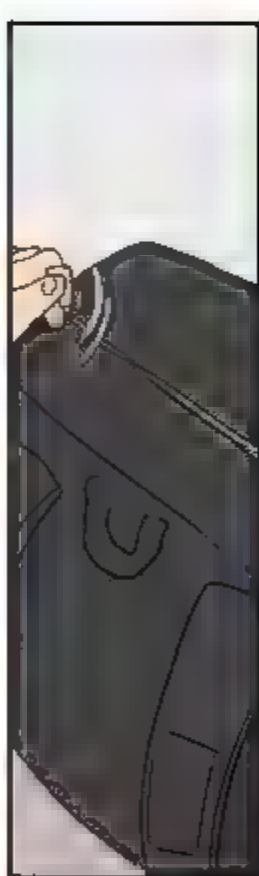
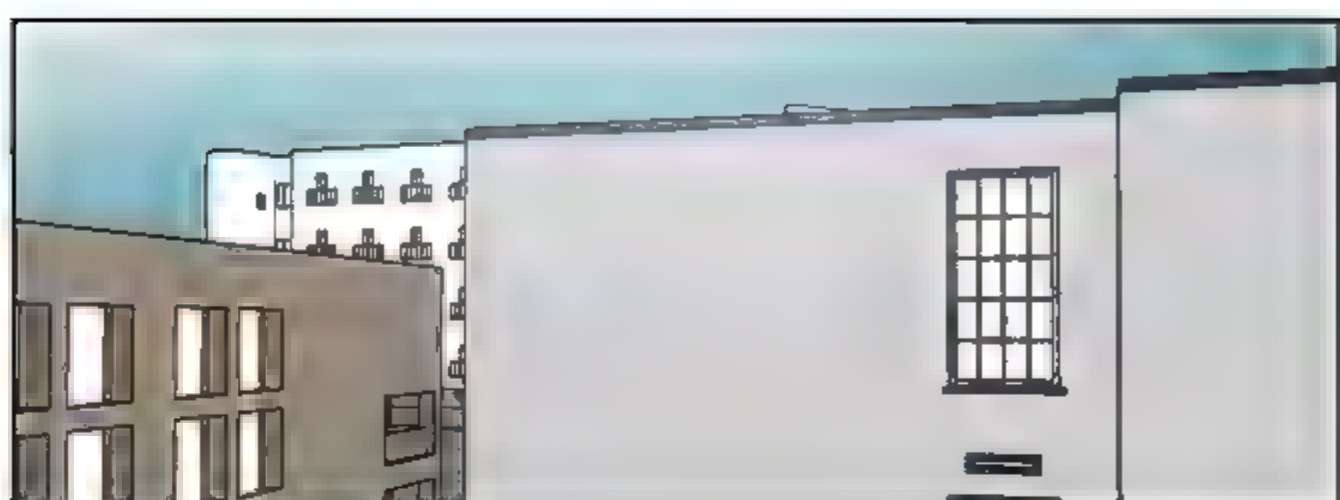




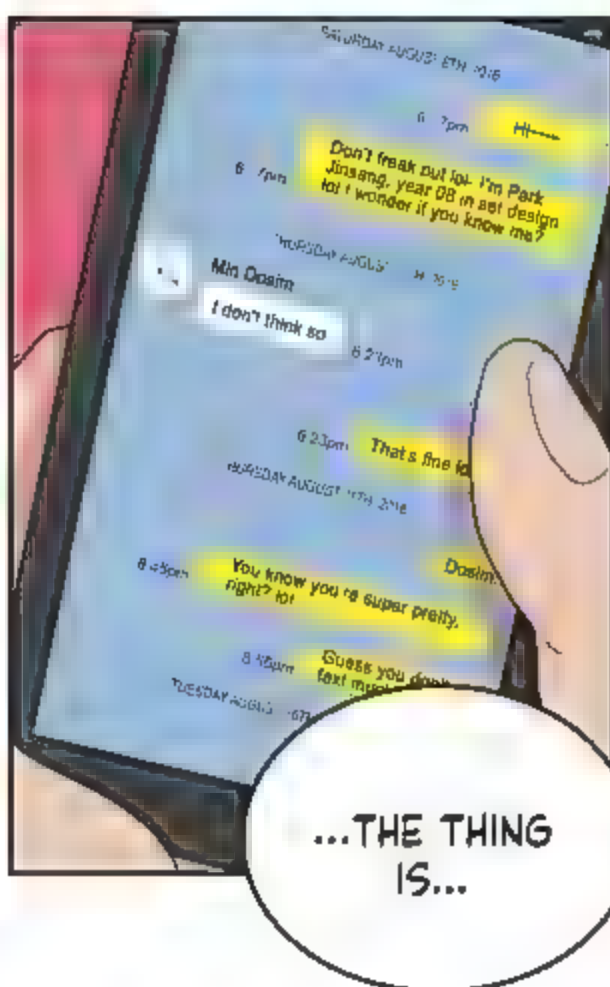
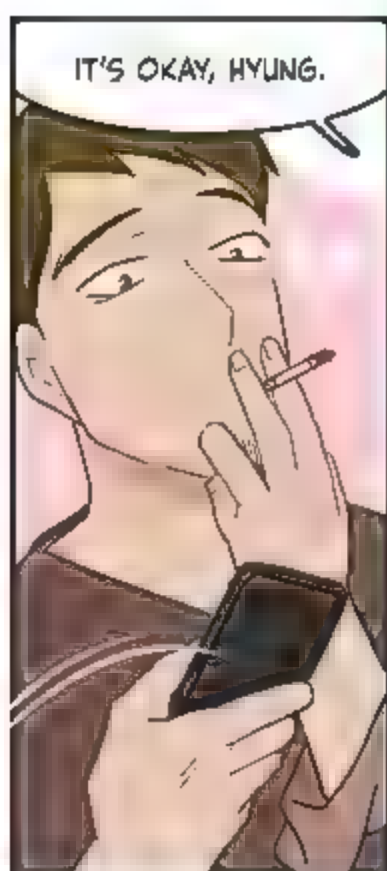
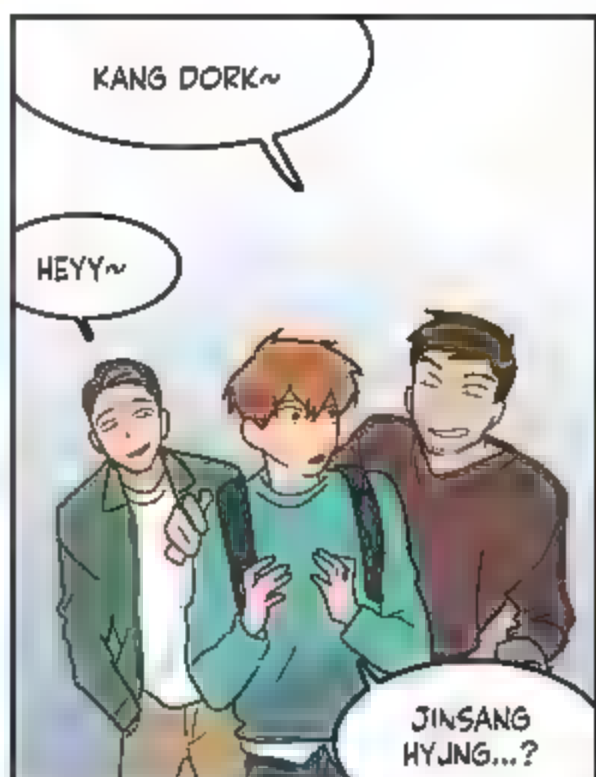


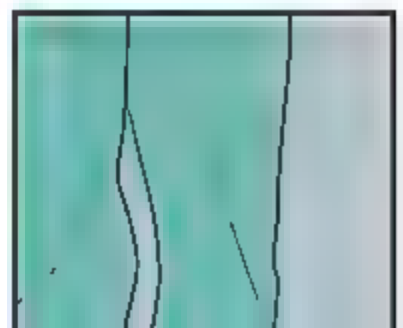
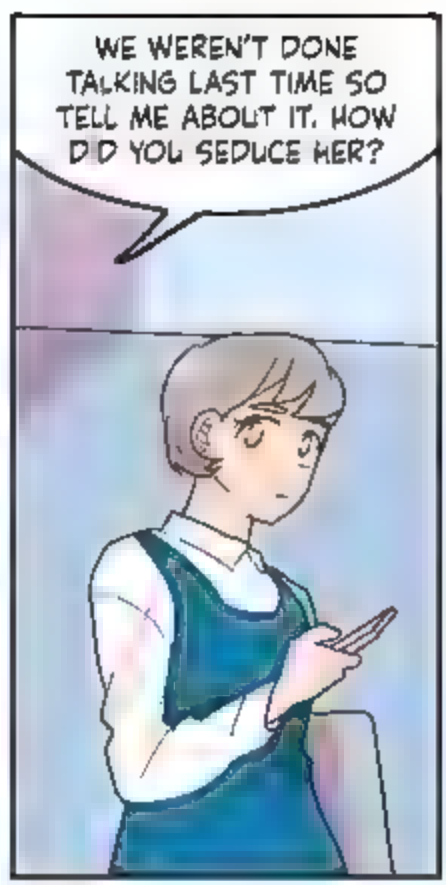
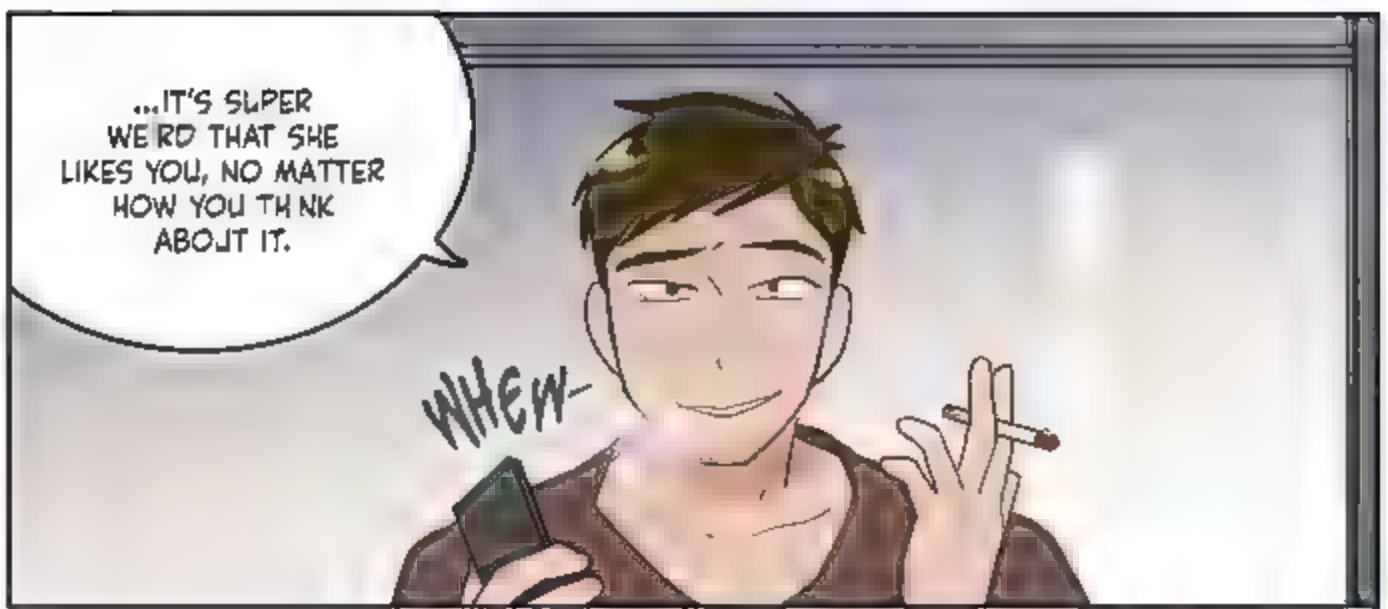




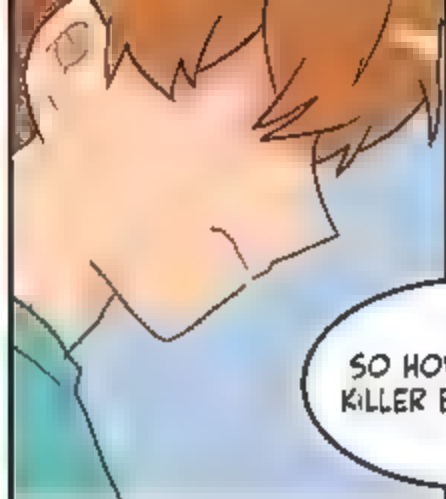








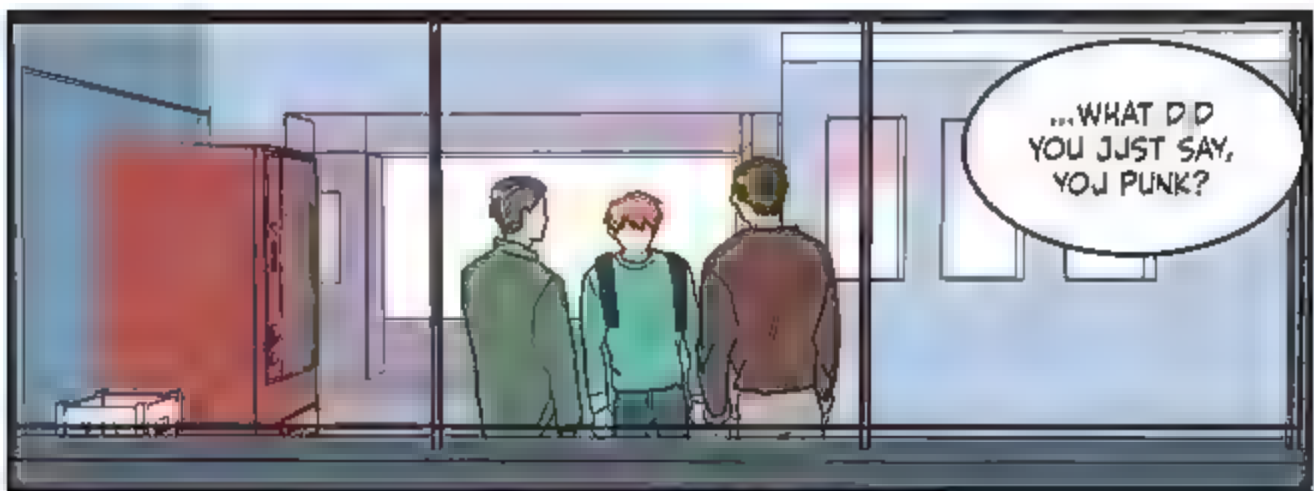
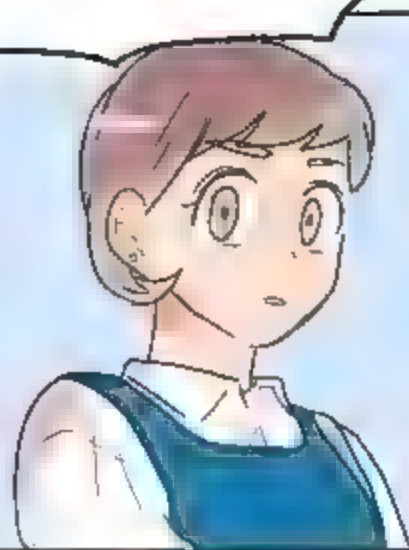
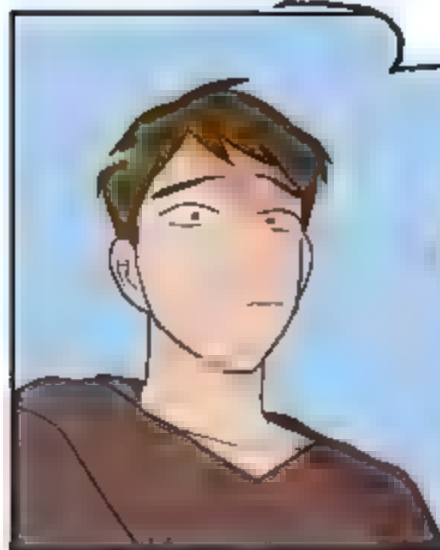




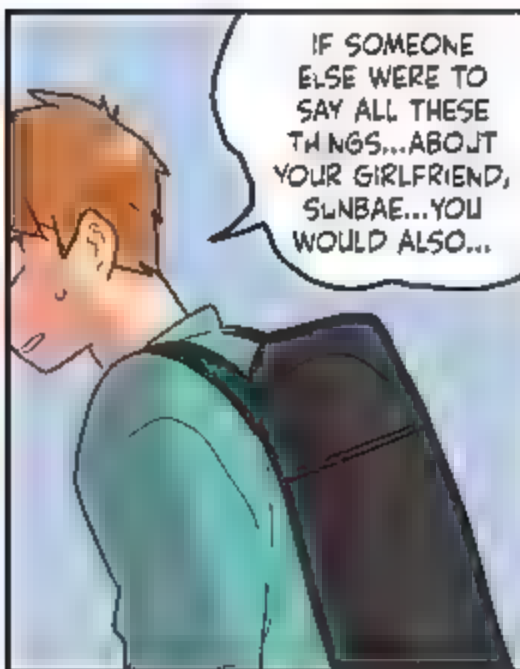
SO HOW WAS IT?  
KILLER BODY, HJH?



S-STOP IT...!



...WHAT DID  
YOU JUST SAY,  
YOU PUNK?

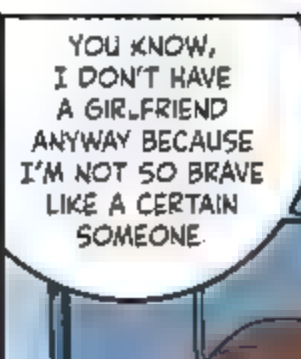


IF SOMEONE  
ELSE WERE TO  
SAY ALL THESE  
THINGS...ABOUT  
YOUR GIRLFRIEND,  
SUNBAE...YOU  
WOULD ALSO...

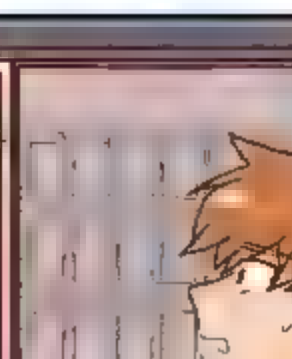


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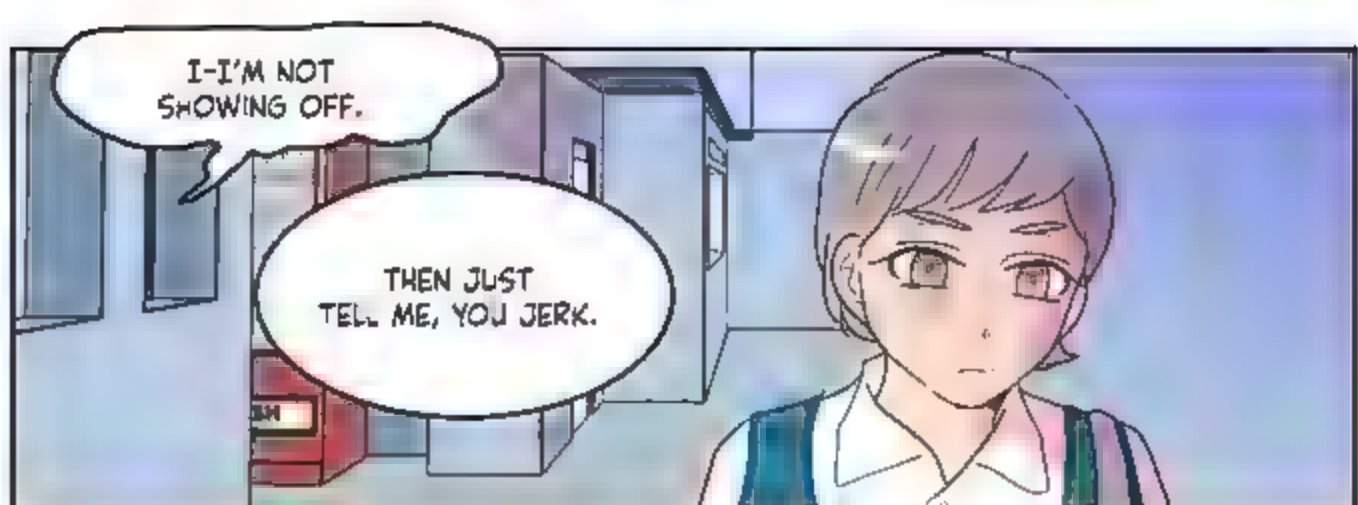
HEY. KANG DORK.



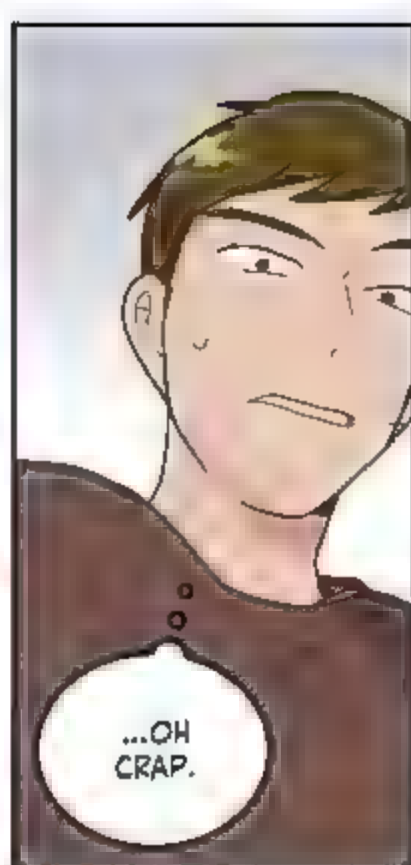
YOU KNOW,  
I DON'T HAVE  
A GIRLFRIEND  
ANYWAY BECAUSE  
I'M NOT SO BRAVE  
LIKE A CERTAIN  
SOMEONE.

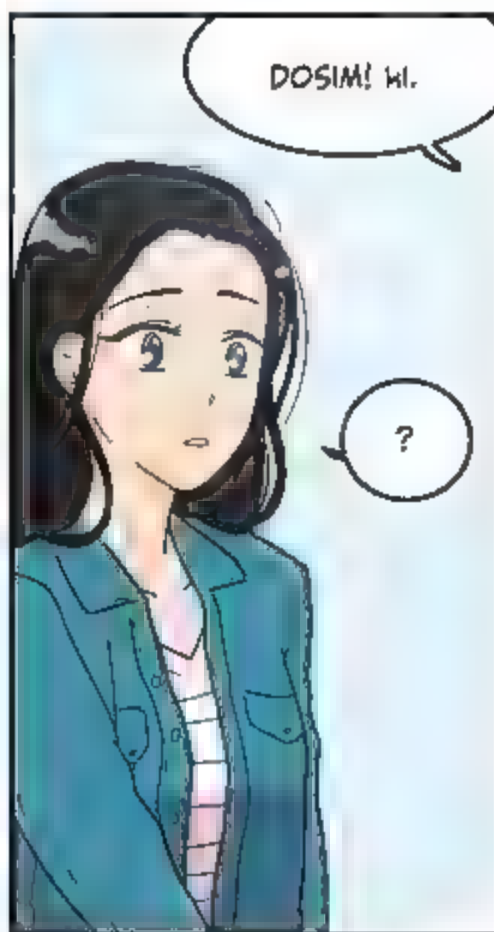
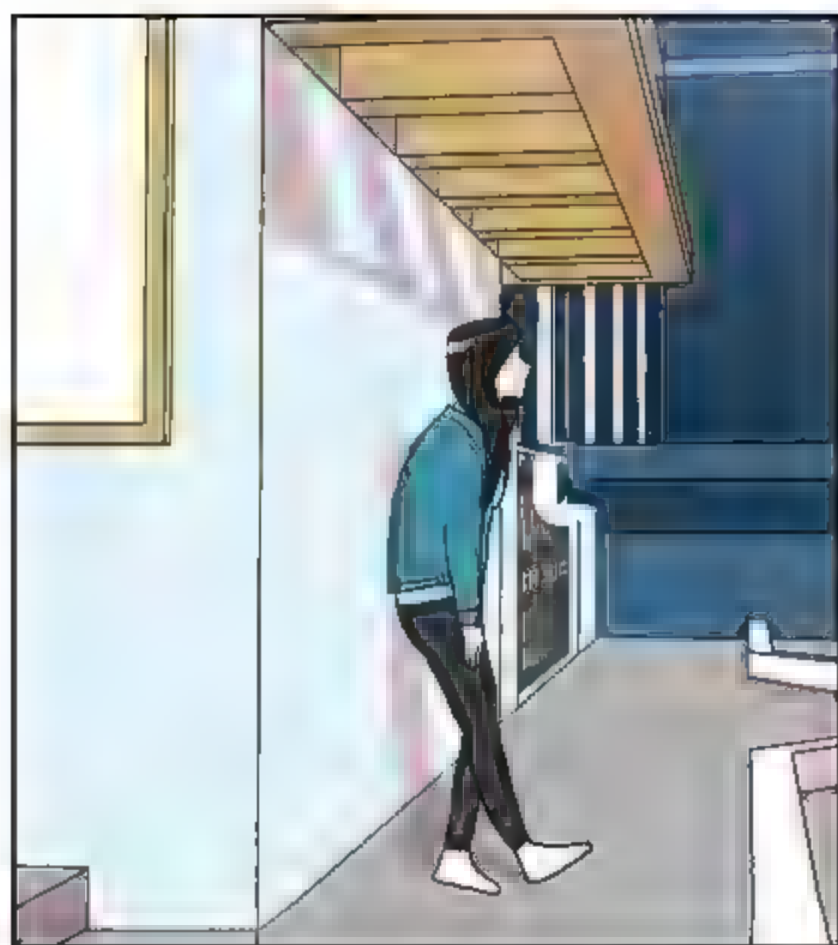
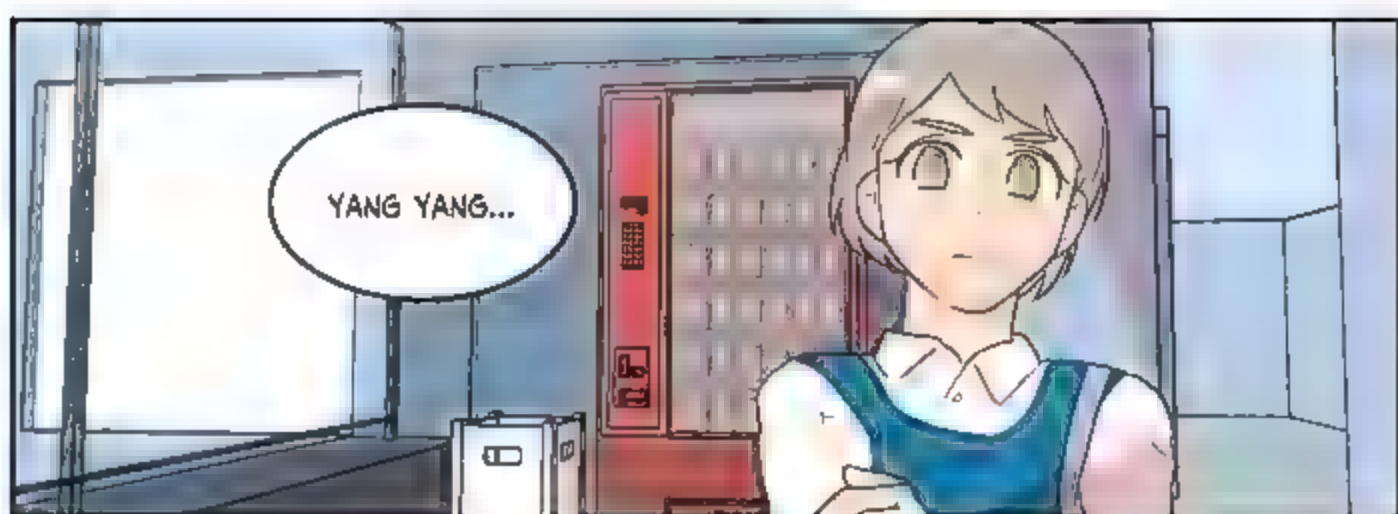
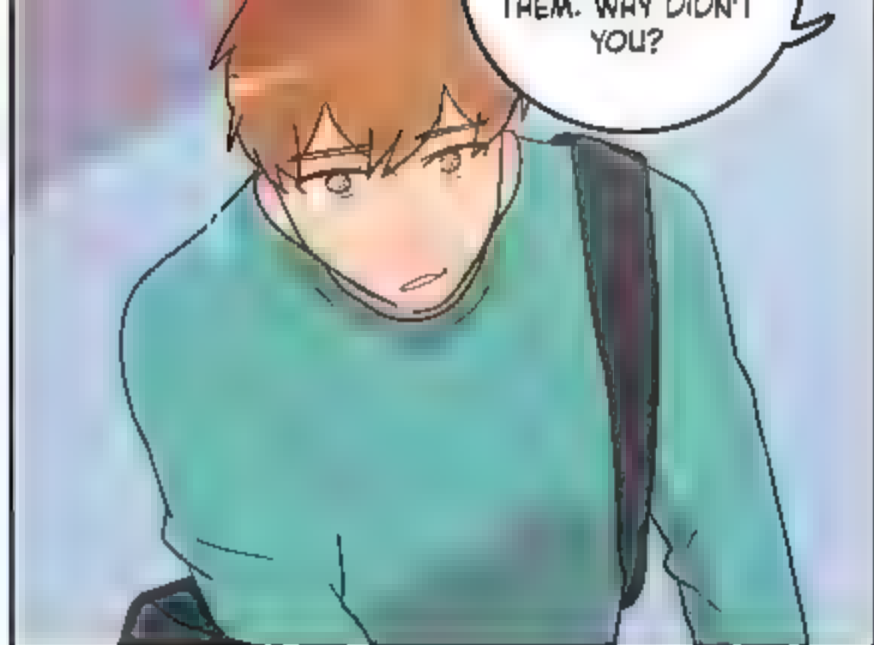


IT KIND OF  
FEELS LIKE YOU'RE  
SHOWING OFF,  
YOU LITTLE  
S#\*T...

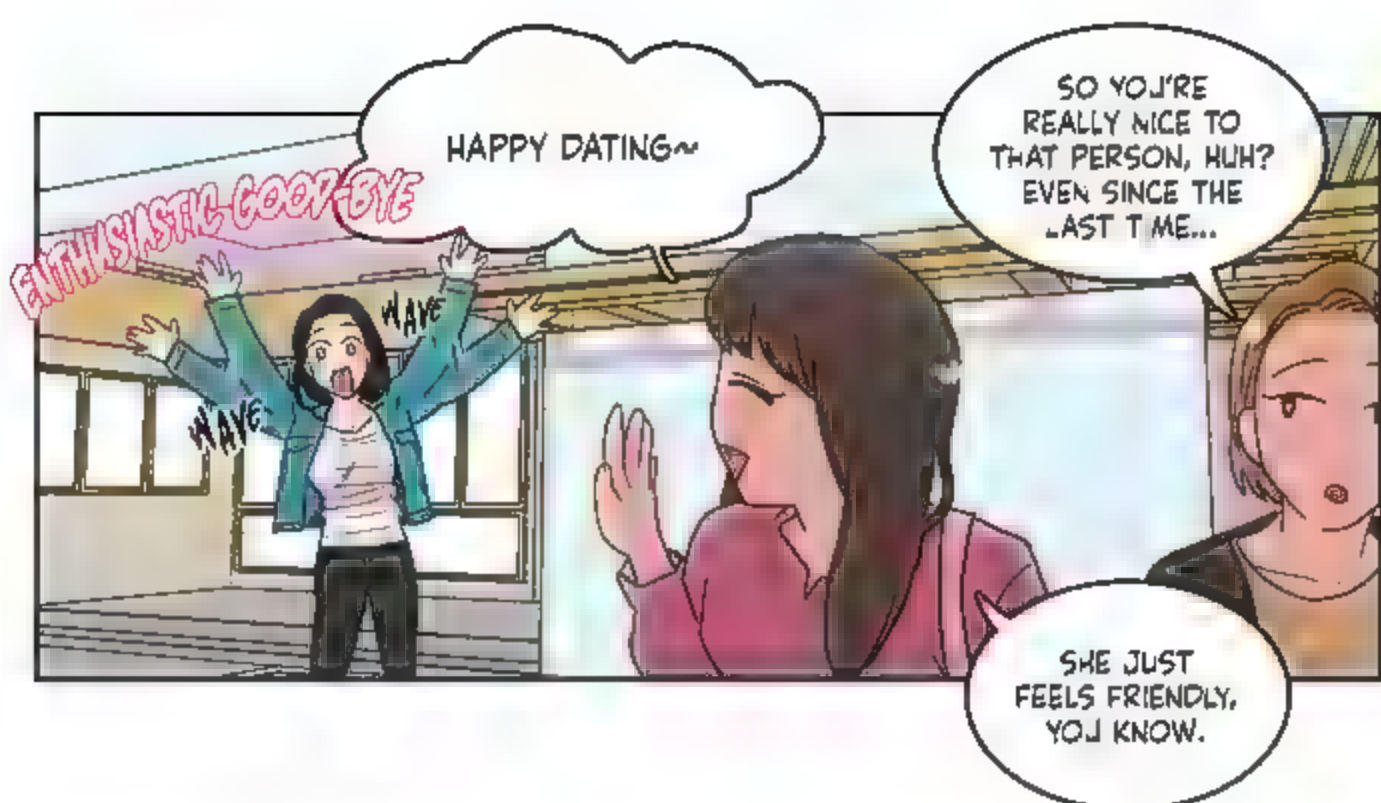
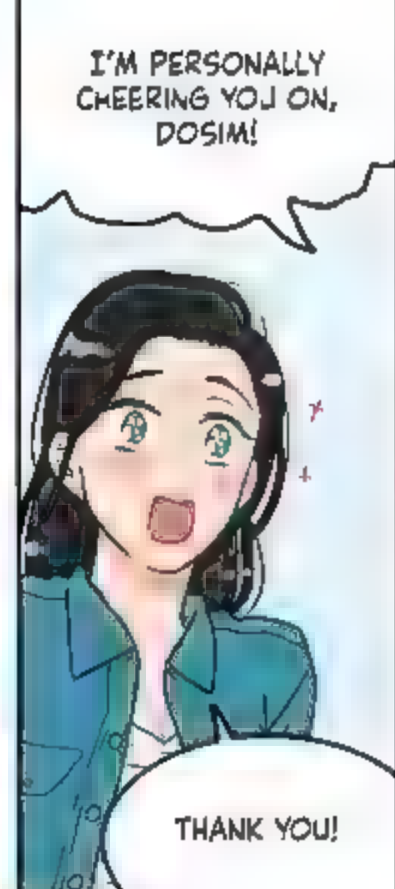
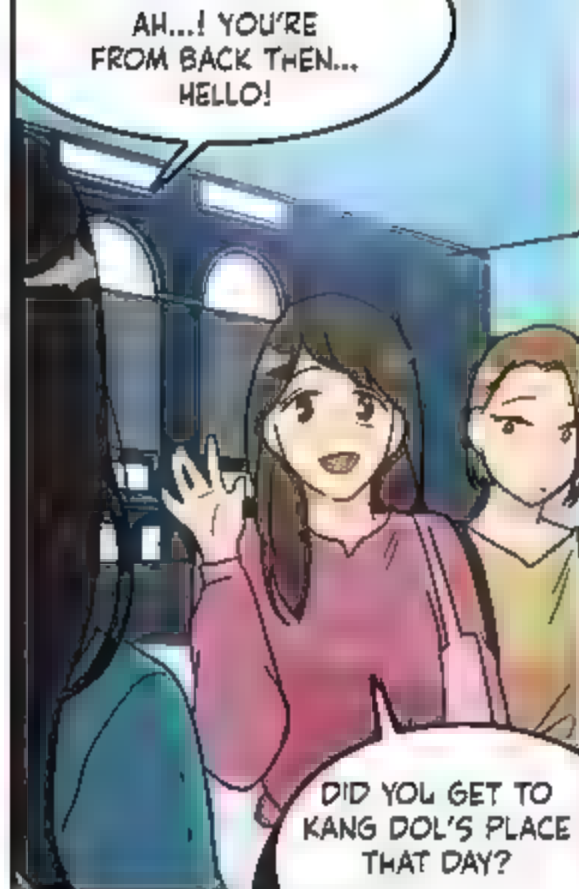












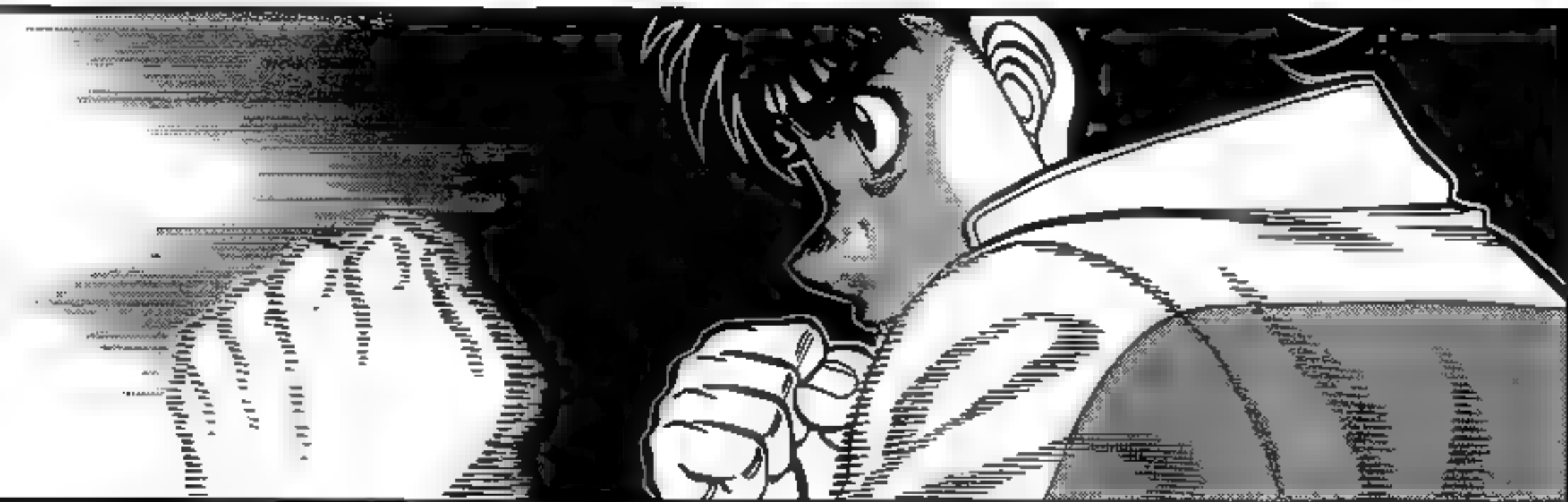
ANTI-SOUTHPAW LESSONS! WHAT SPECIAL TRAIT DOES IPPO HAVE?



# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩

GEORGE MORIKAWA

Round 1175 Rare Breed





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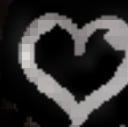
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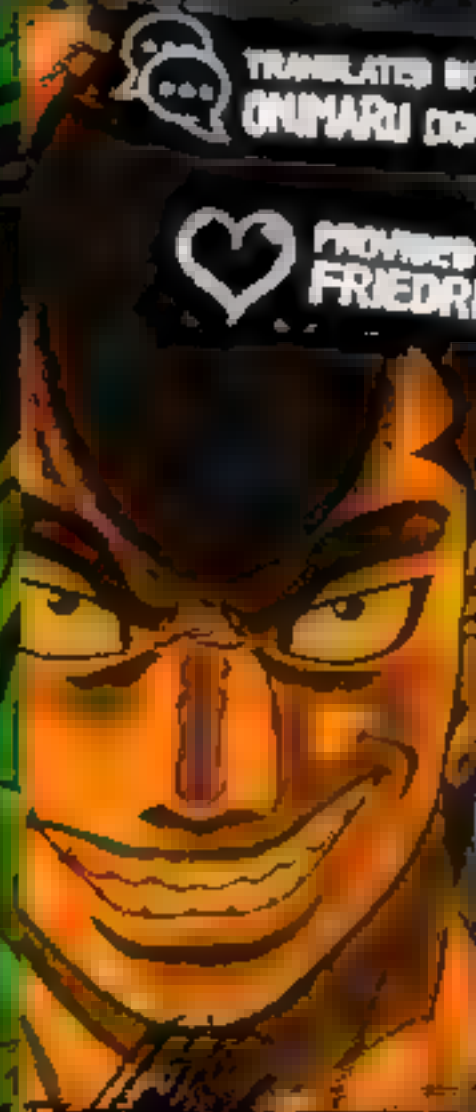
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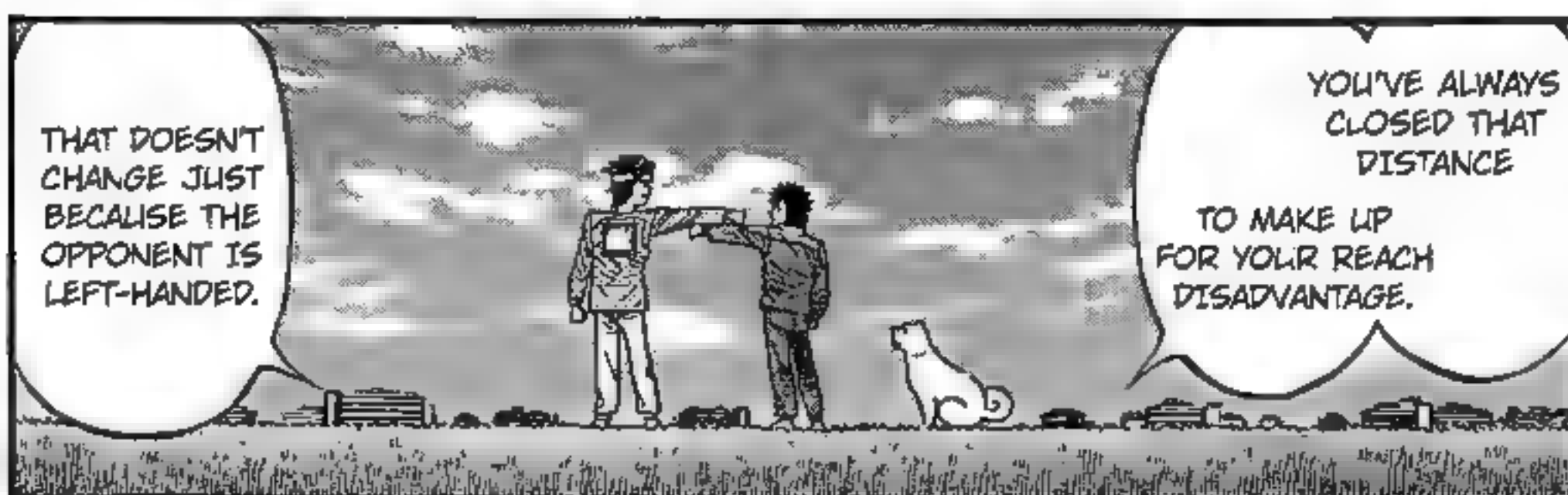
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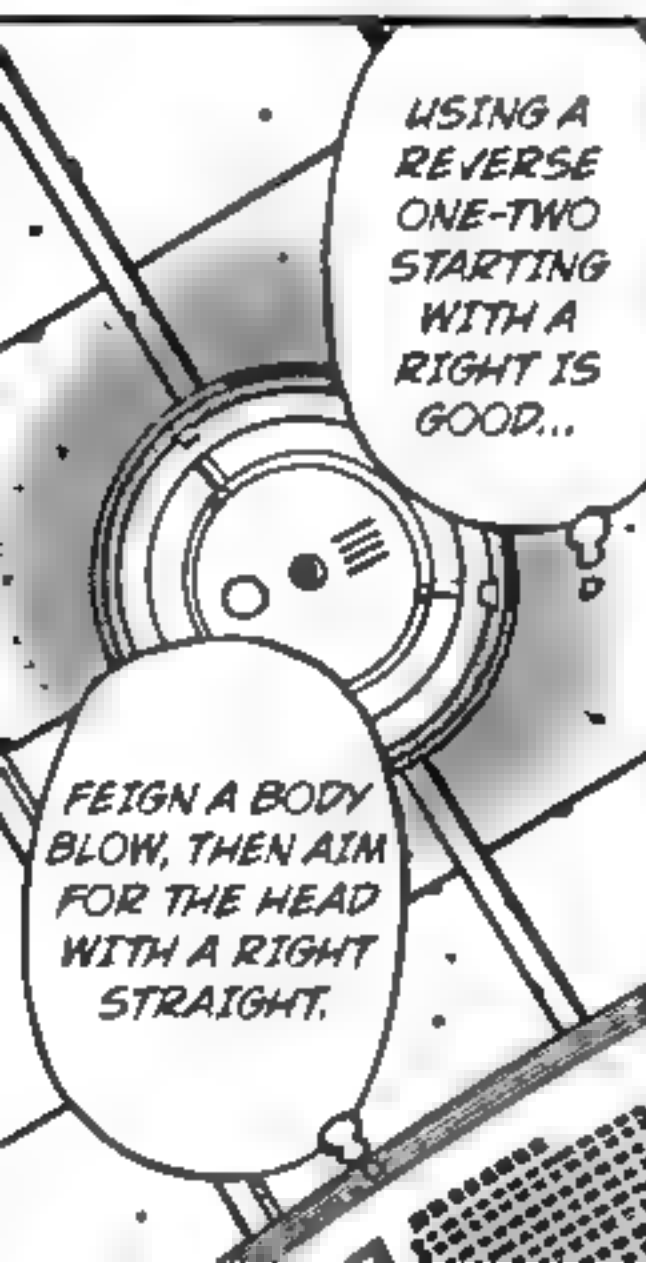
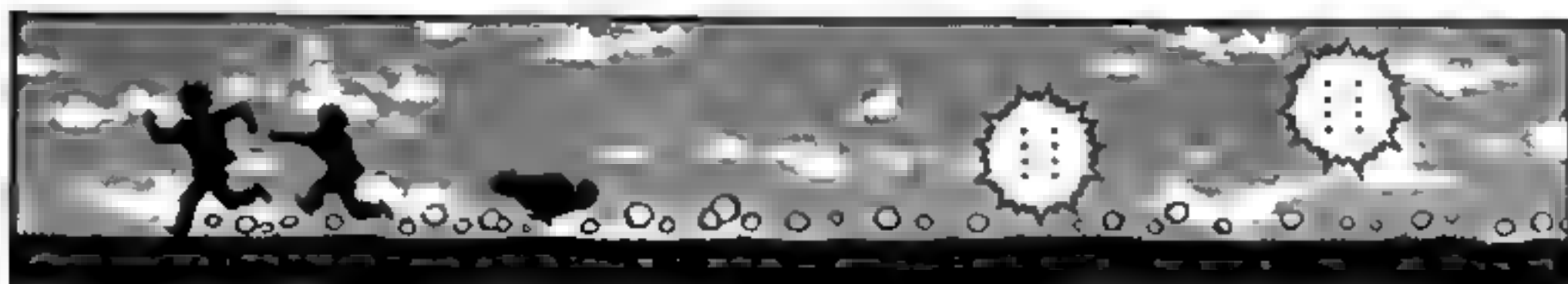
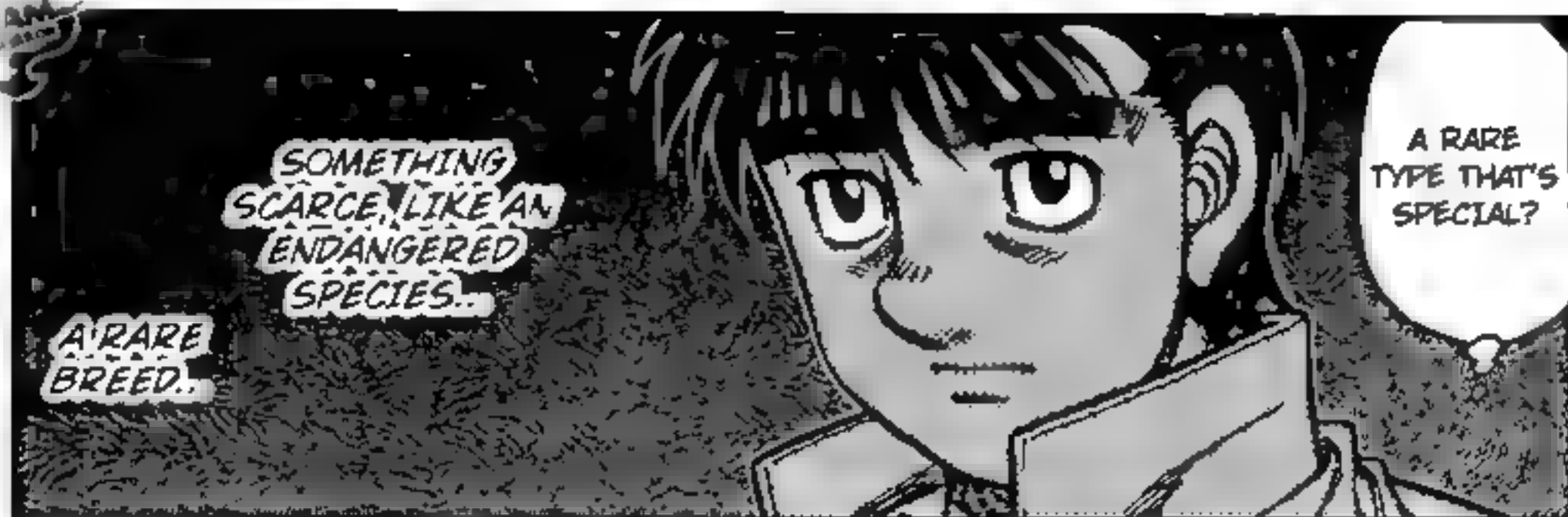
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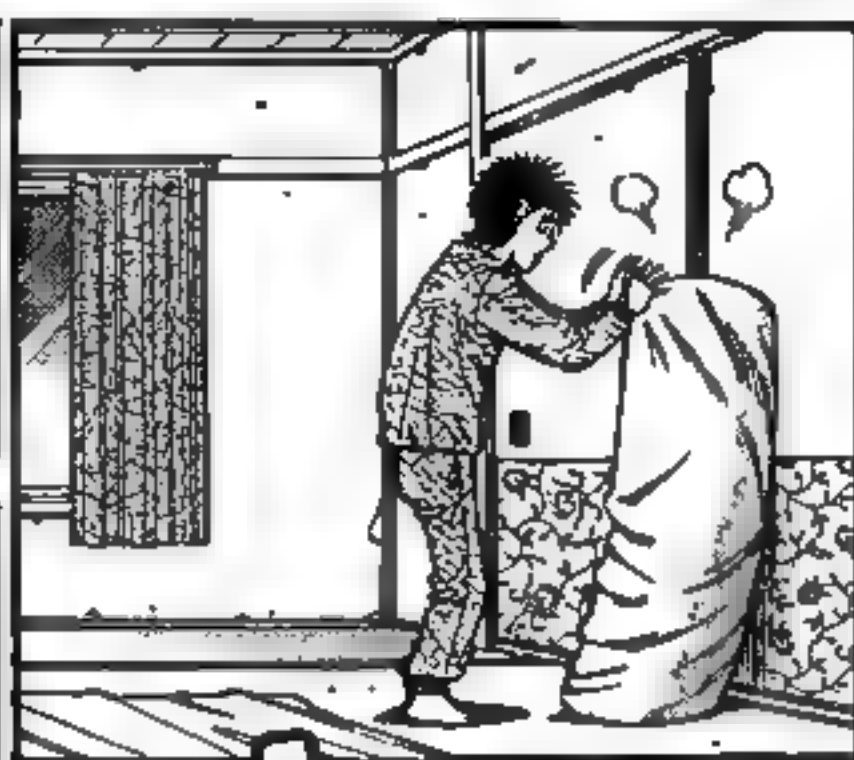
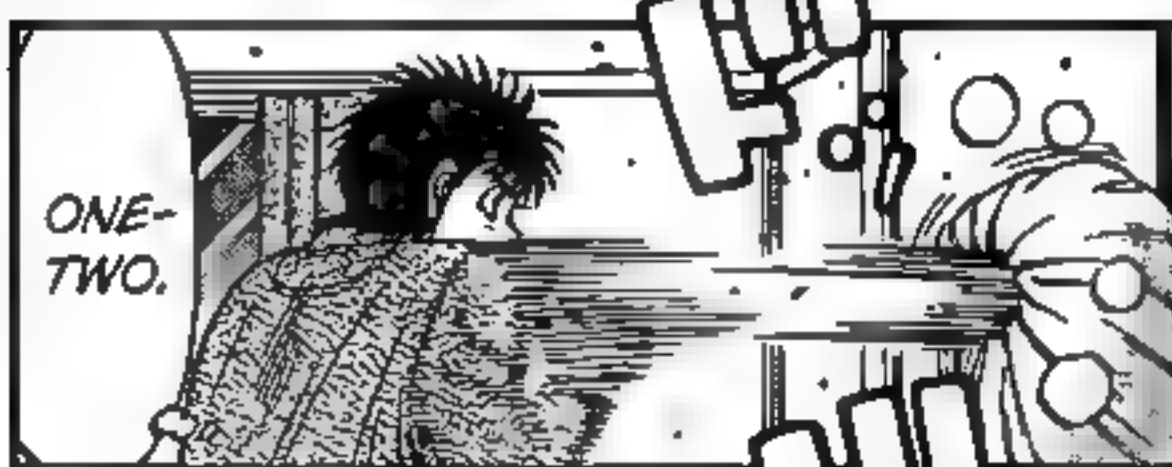
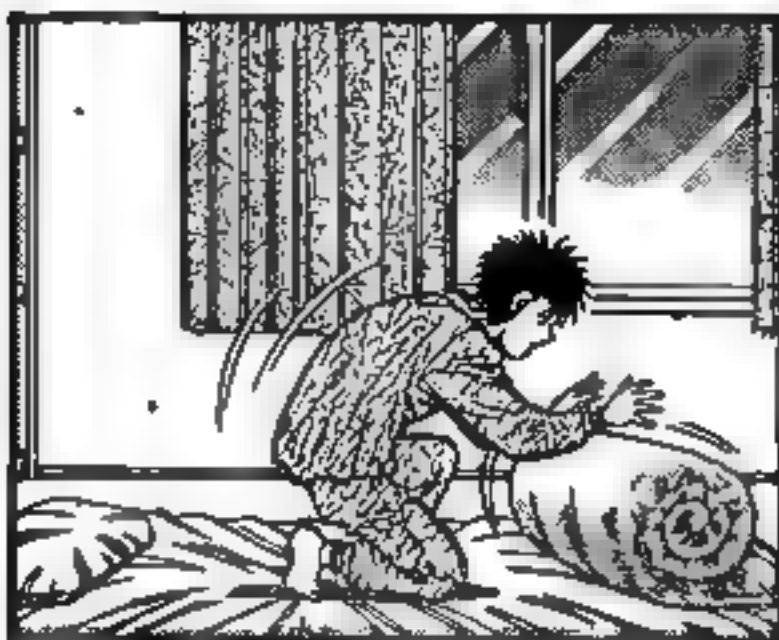
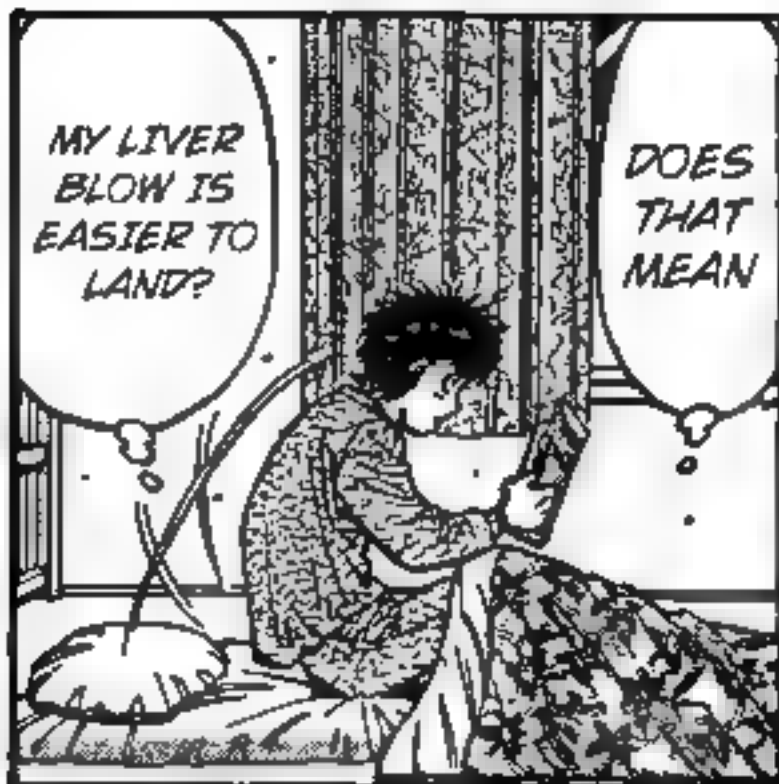
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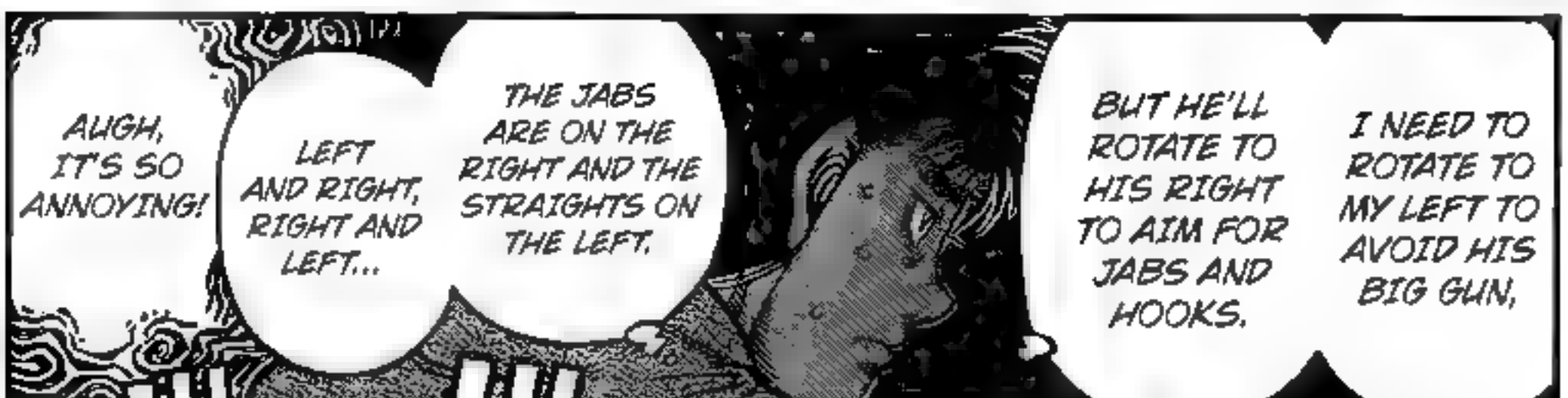






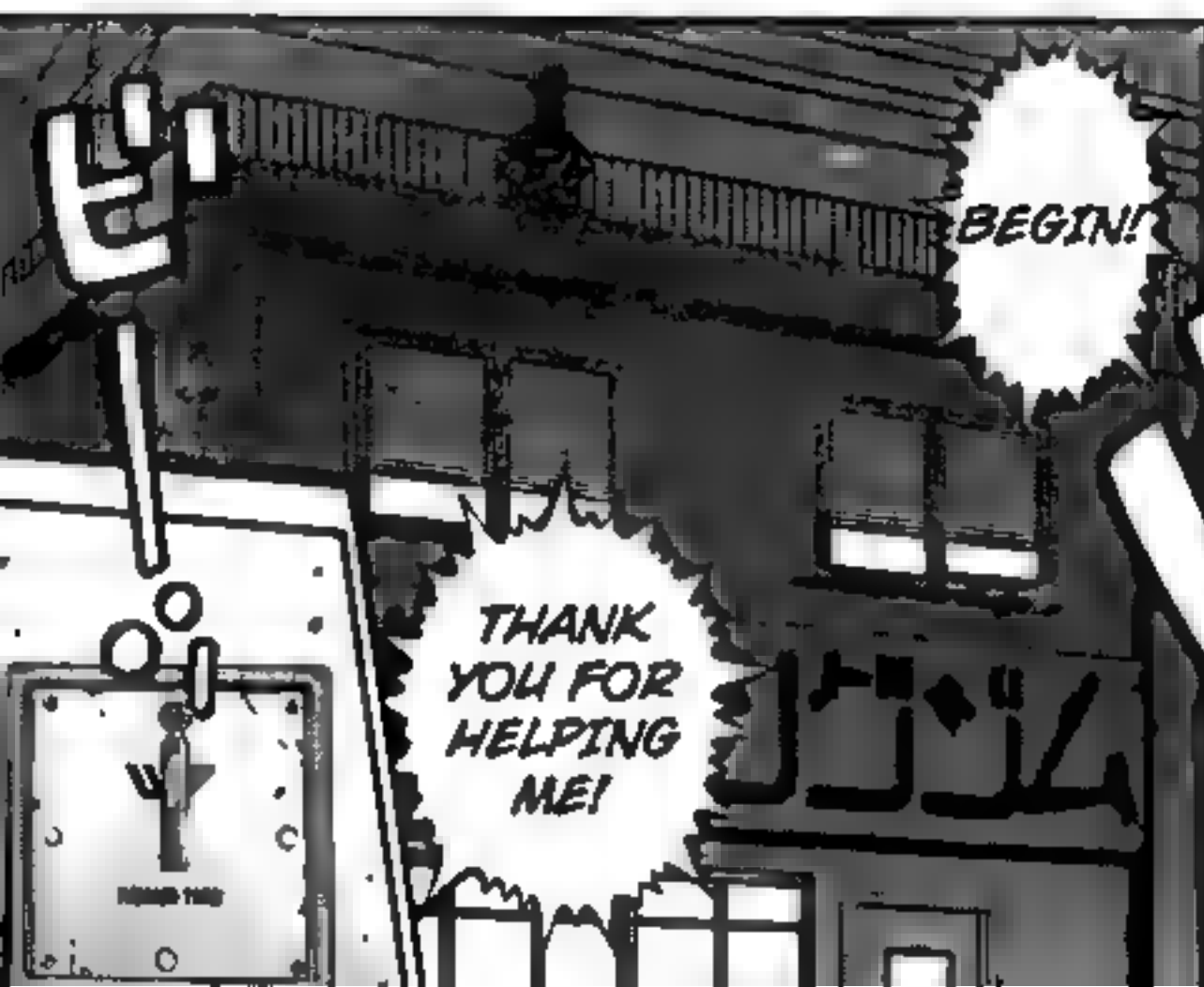
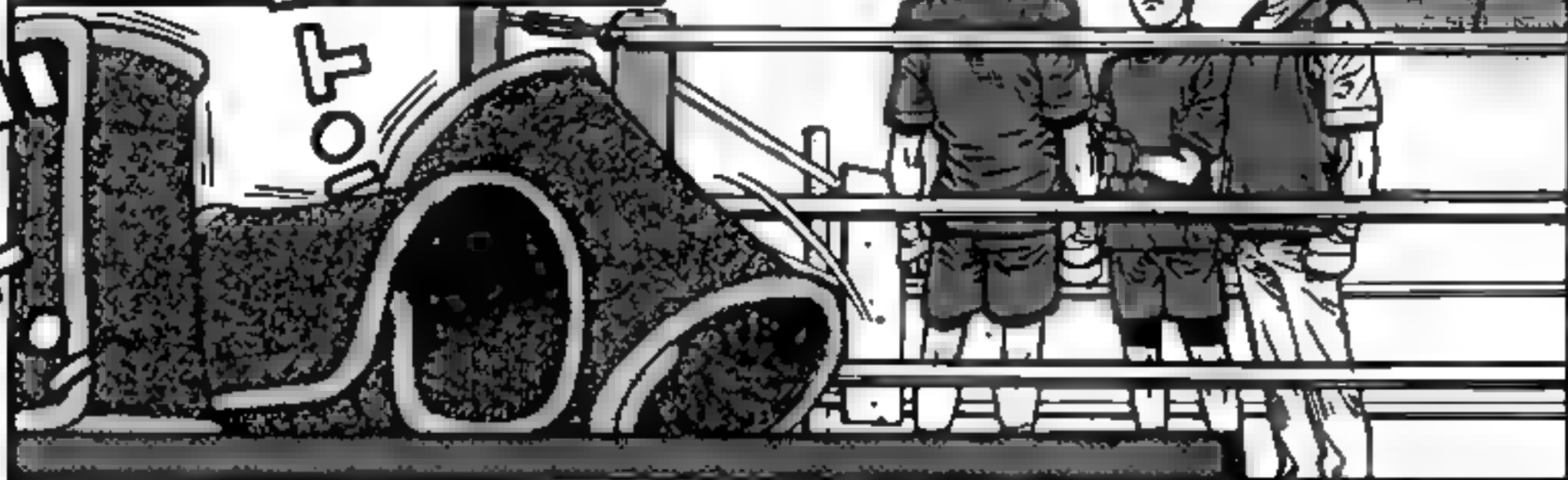
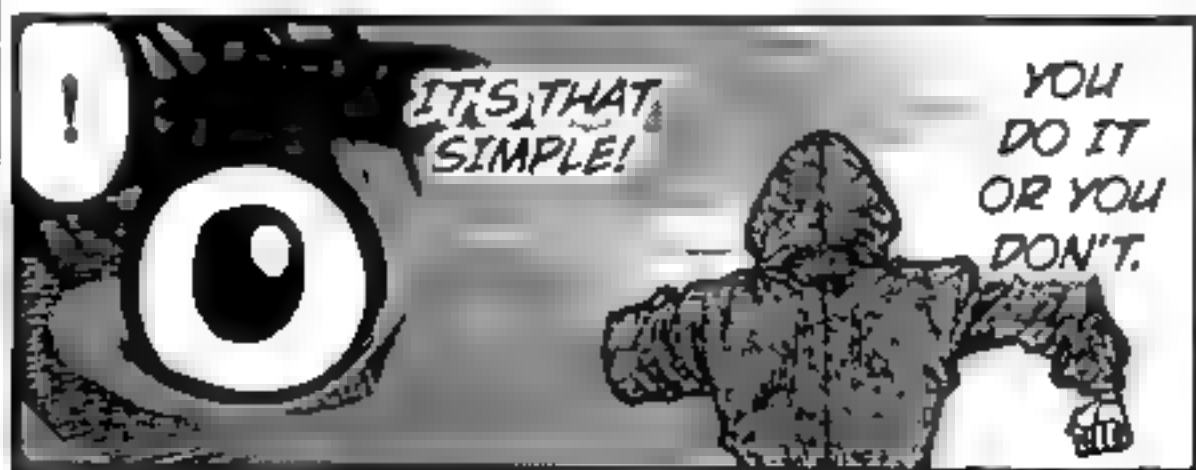
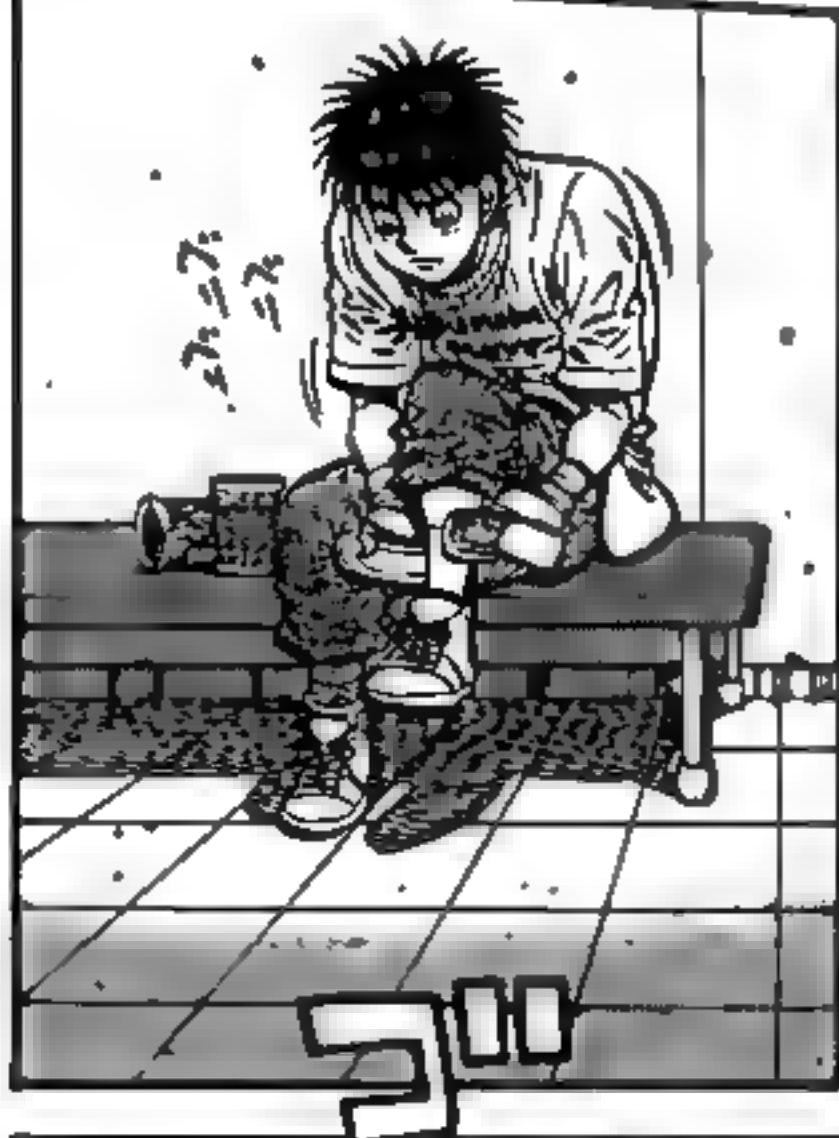
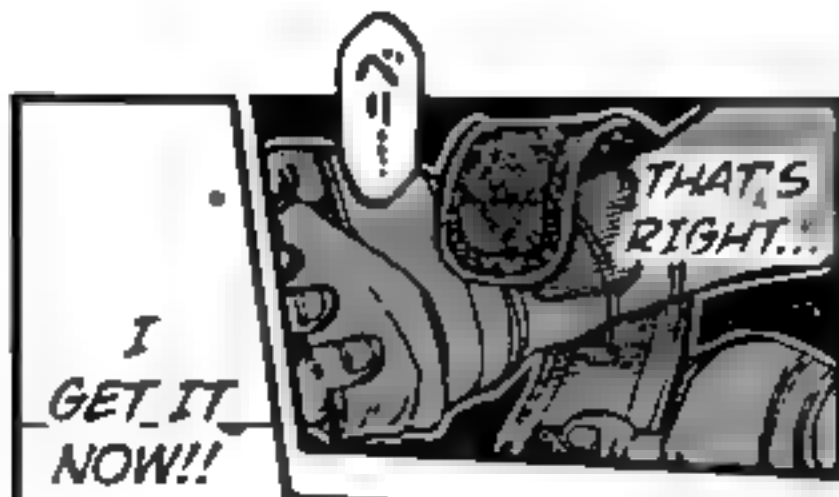








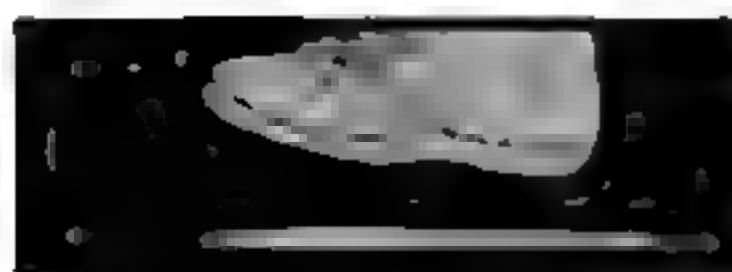
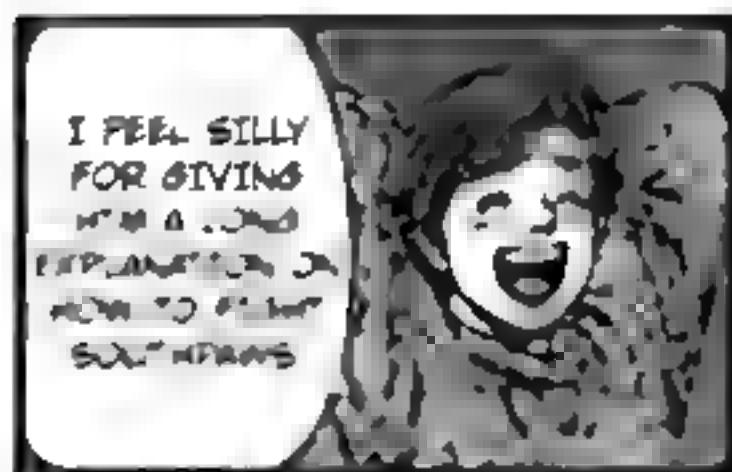
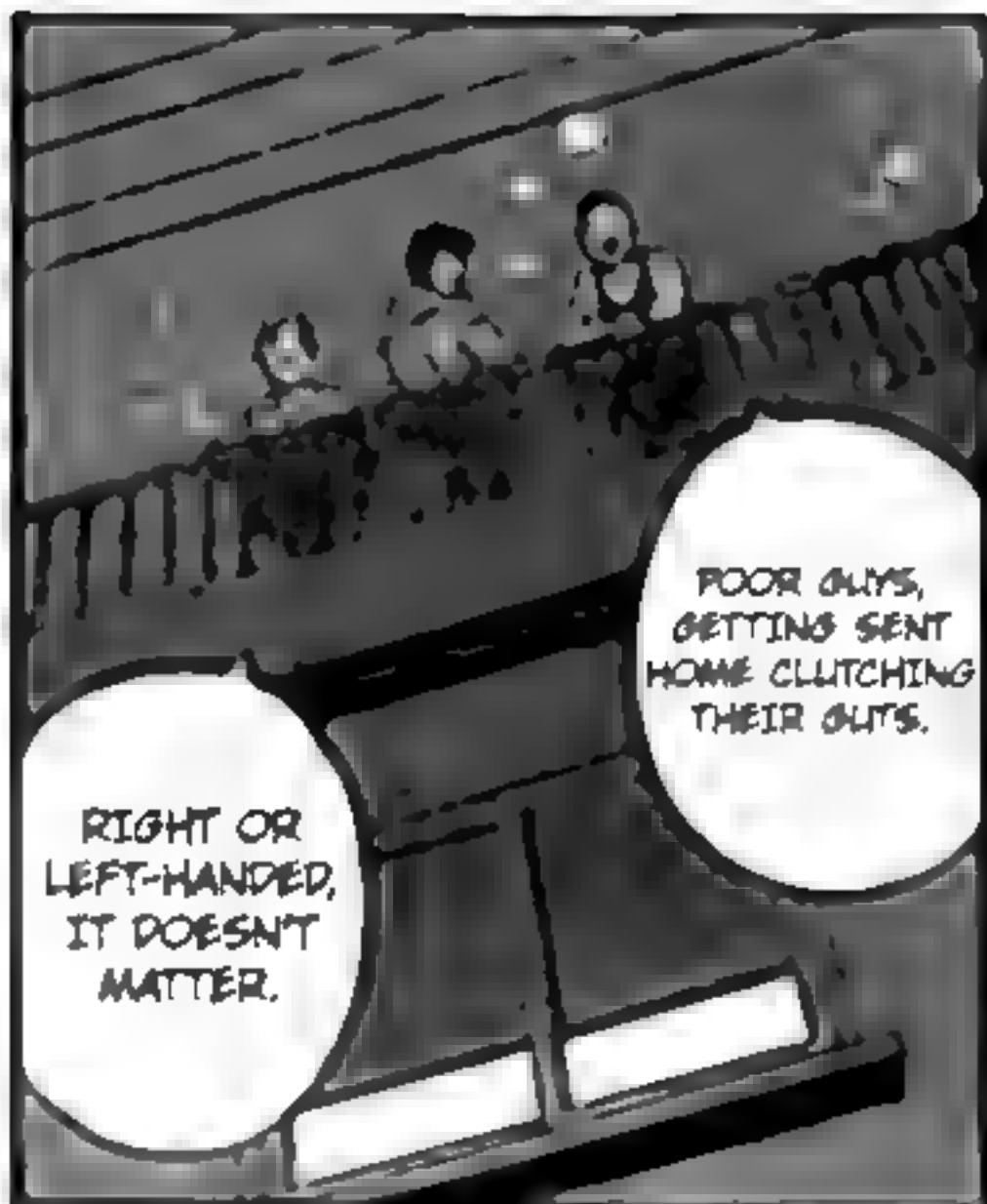






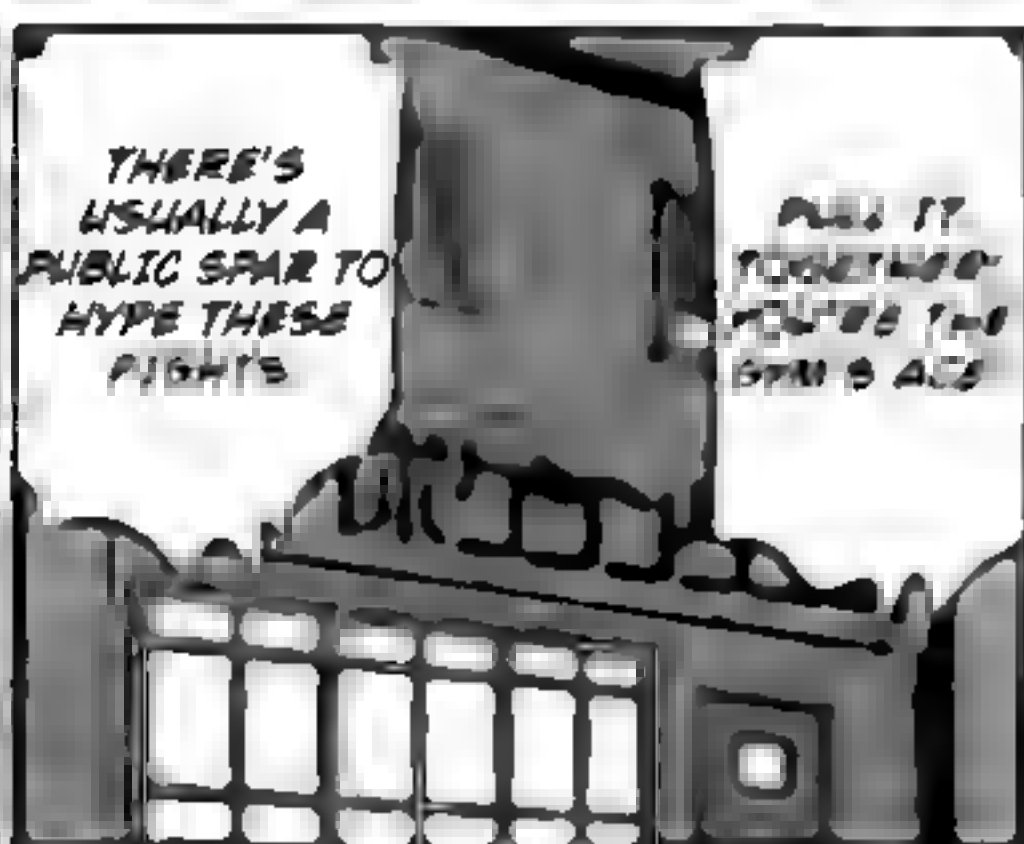
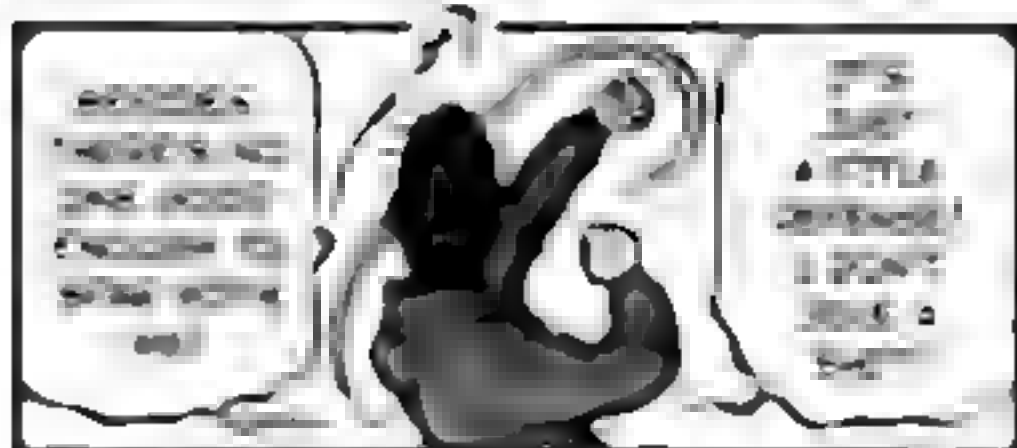












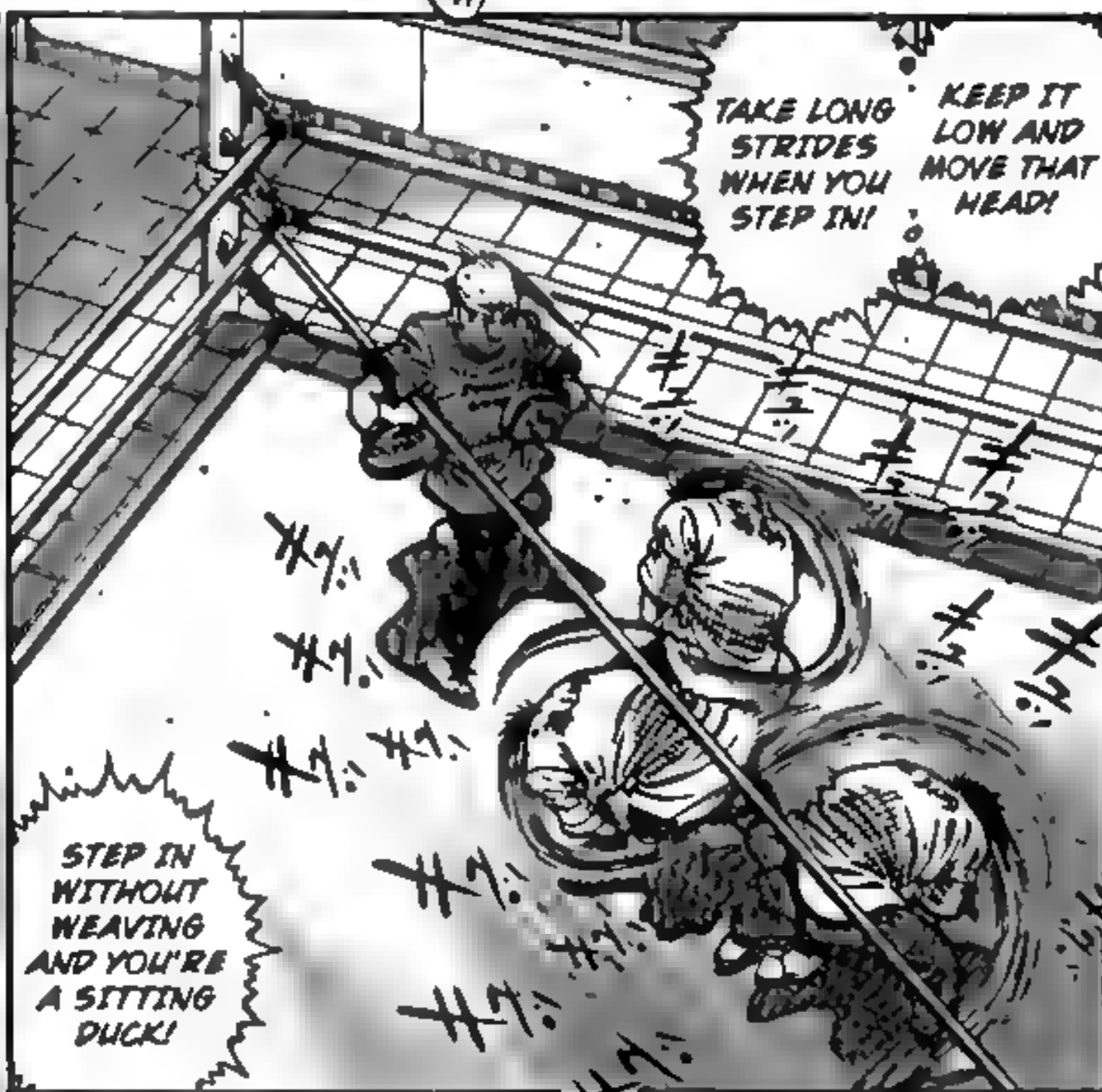


I DON'T  
THINK THAT  
WOULD KNOCK  
ANYONE  
DOWN...

I'LL HIT  
'EM WITH ONE  
OF THESE TO  
WIN IN ONE  
ROUND!



MAKE  
THE FIRST  
STRIKE!



TAKE LONG  
STRIDES  
WHEN YOU  
STEP IN!

KEEP IT  
LOW AND  
MOVE THAT  
HEAD!

STEP IN  
WITHOUT  
WEAVING  
AND YOU'RE  
A SITTING  
DUCK!



START  
WITH A  
RIGHT!





OR  
THIS?

THAT'S  
TOO DAMN  
OBVIOUS,  
NUMB-  
SKULL!

YOUR  
SHOULDERS  
WERE OPEN  
ON THAT  
RIGHT!

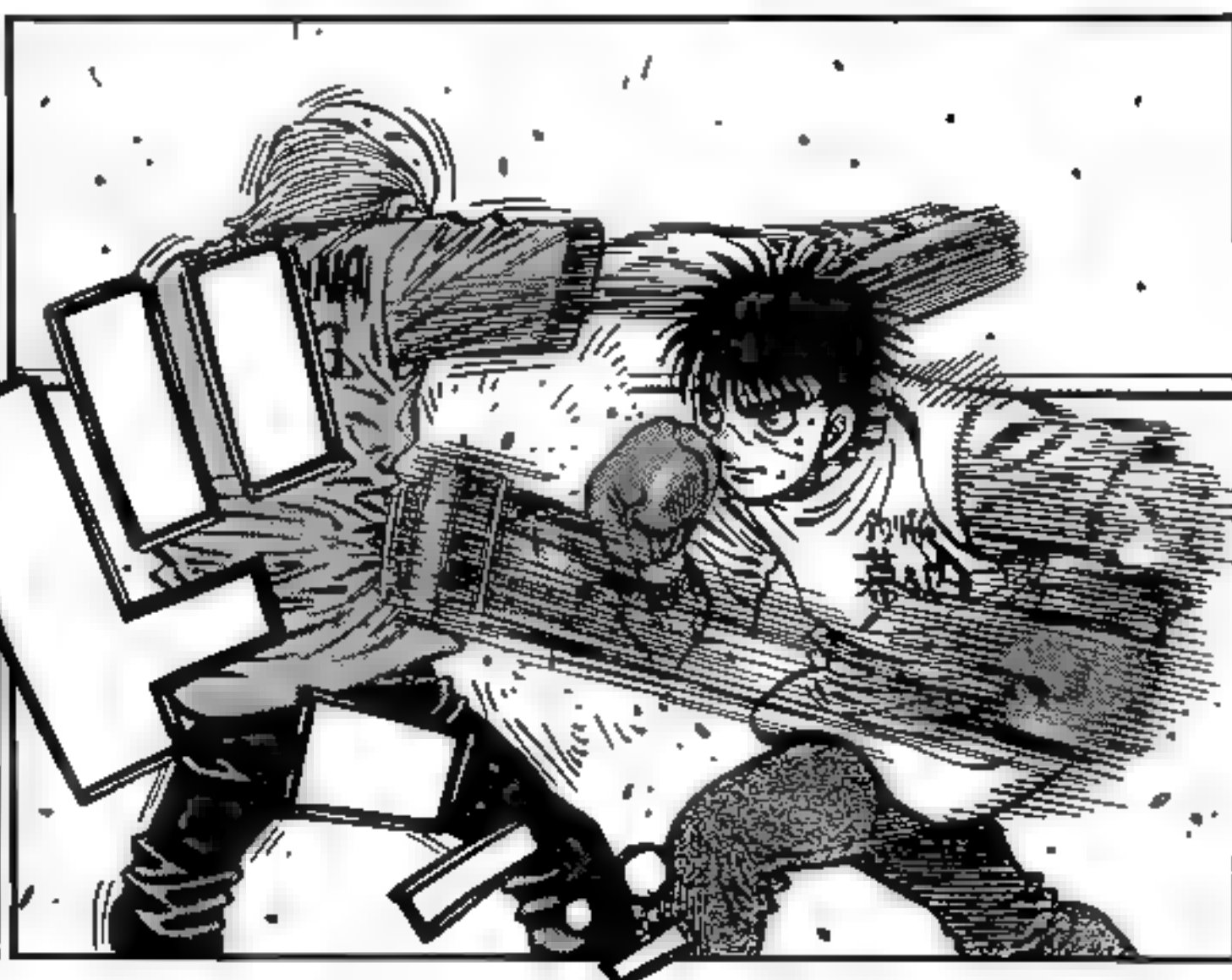
YOUR  
OPPONENT  
SHOULD  
JUST SEE  
THE GLOVE  
GETTING  
BIGGER

YOUR  
RIGHT  
SHOULD  
HAVE A  
JAB'S  
FORM.

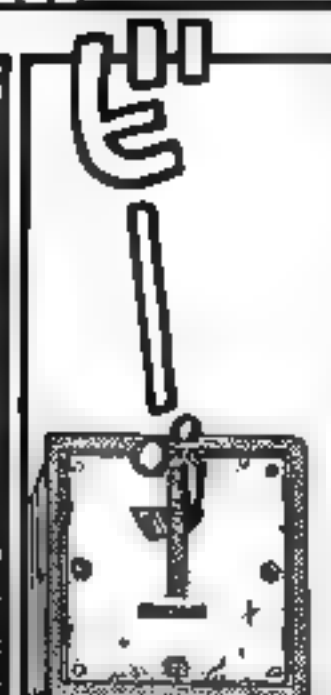
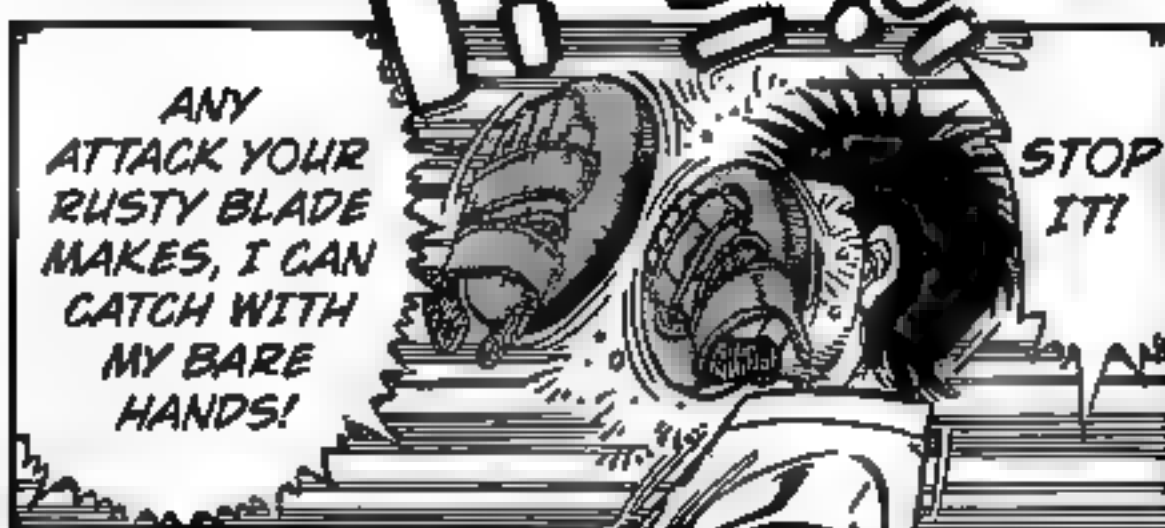
WITH NO  
MOTION!



LIKE  
THIS?  
MAYBE  
LIKE  
THAT?







THE COACH'S FIRST REBUKE IN A WHILE! THE SUBJECT IS...

LOOKING TOWARDS IPPO'S RETURN MATCH, THE COACH OFFERS A STORM OF CRITICISM!





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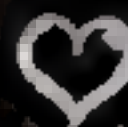
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IT'S NO EASY  
TASK PRESSING  
INSIDE OF A  
SOUTHPAW!

YOU NEED  
TO MAKE THE  
MOST OF IT!

DON'T  
COUNT ON IT  
HAPPENING  
ALL THAT  
OFTEN!

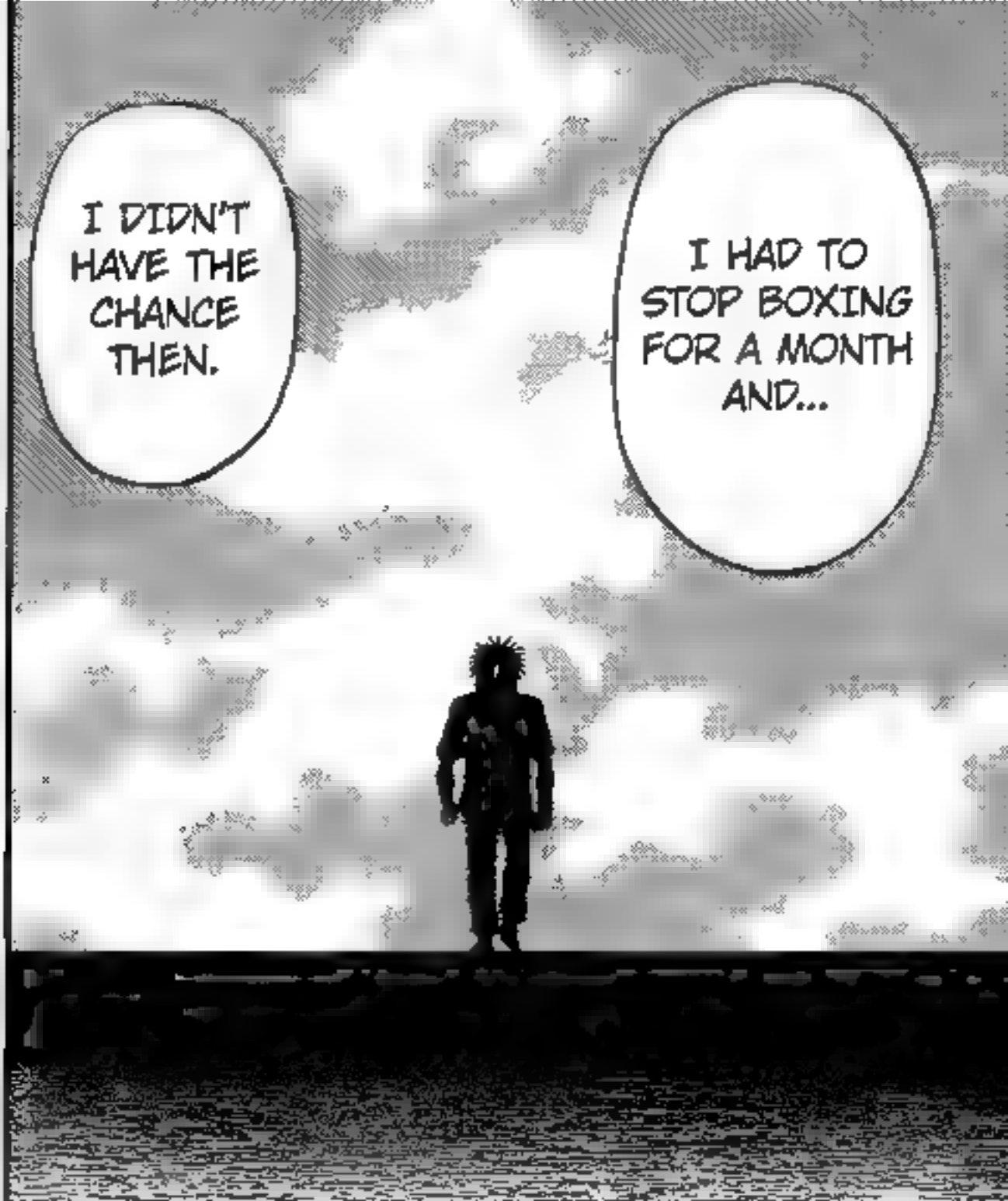


STRIKE  
FIRST TO  
GET HIM OFF  
BALANCE!  
KEEP THAT  
UP, BREAK  
HIM DOWN,  
AND THEN  
PRESS  
IN...

FEIGN  
LOW WITH  
YOUR RIGHT,  
THEN HIT  
HIM FROM  
ABOVE!

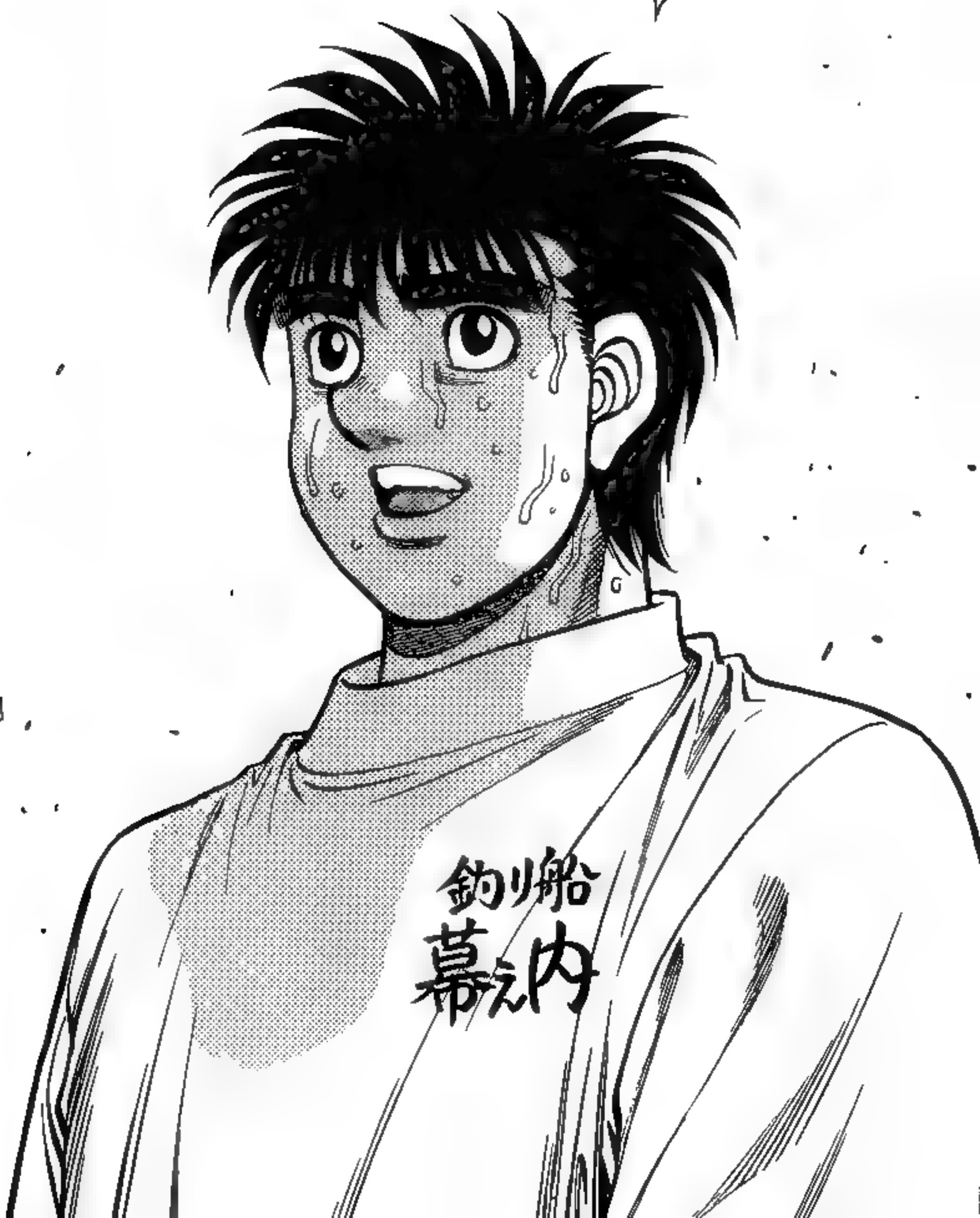








IT FEELS  
LIKE I'M REALLY  
BOXING NOW.

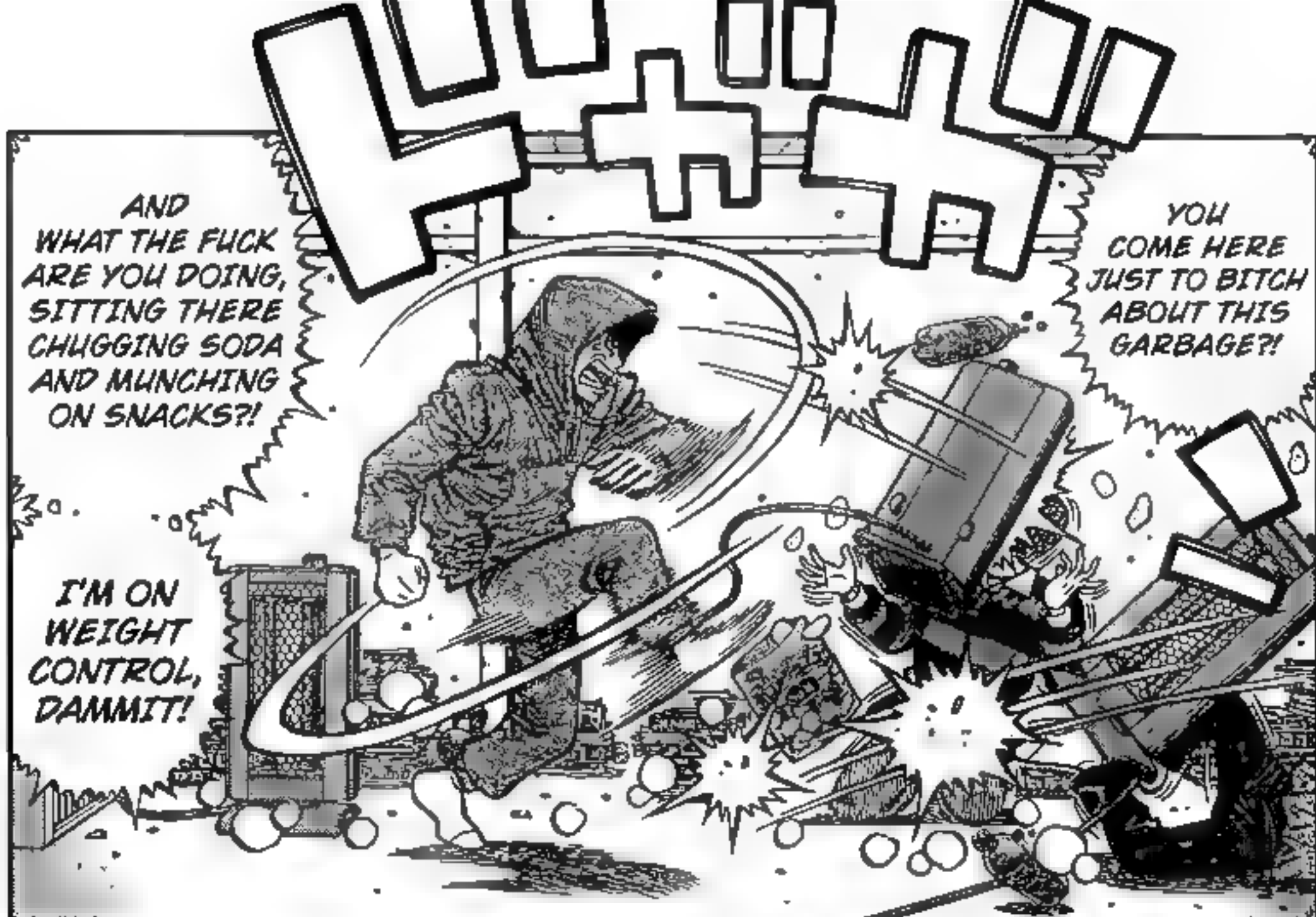


船内  
釣幕



WAKA  
STREAM





AND  
WHAT THE FUCK  
ARE YOU DOING,  
SITTING THERE  
CHUGGING SODA  
AND MUNCHING  
ON SNACKS?!

YOU  
COME HERE  
JUST TO BITCH  
ABOUT THIS  
GARBAGE?!

I'M ON  
WEIGHT  
CONTROL,  
DAMMIT!



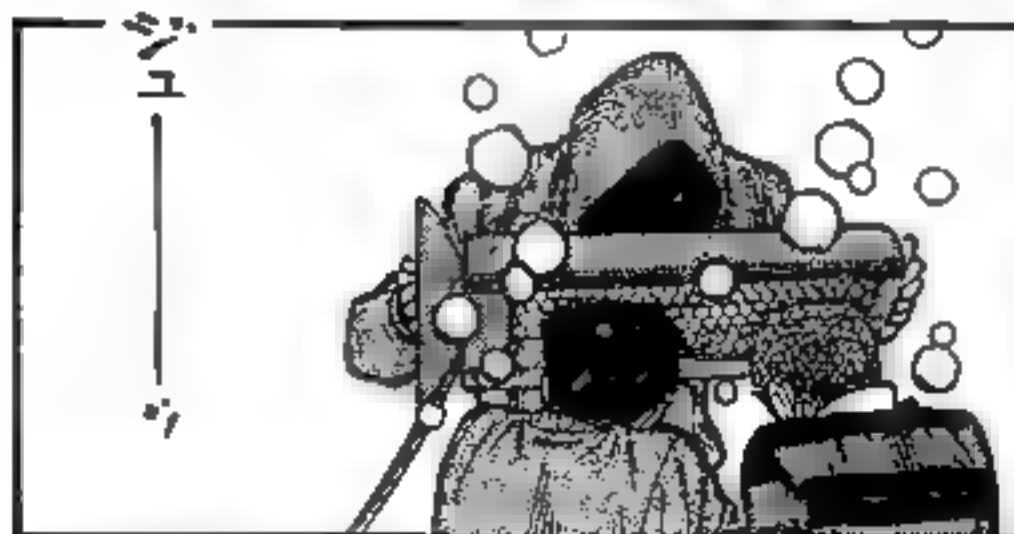
YOU  
HAVEN'T BEEN  
MOTIVATED AND  
HAVEN'T BEEN  
SPARRING!

WE WERE  
WORRIED  
ABOUT  
YOU!



GET  
OUT!

HOT  
HOT  
HOT!



OH?

DON'T  
YOU WANT  
TO LOOK  
GOOD?

YOU HAVE A  
PUBLIC SPAR IN  
FRONT OF THE  
PRESS SOON.



I  
HOPE YOU  
LOSE, YOU  
PIECE OF  
SHIT!!

GET  
OUT!

WELL,  
I DON'T  
GIVE A  
DAMN!

OW,  
THAT'S  
HOT!

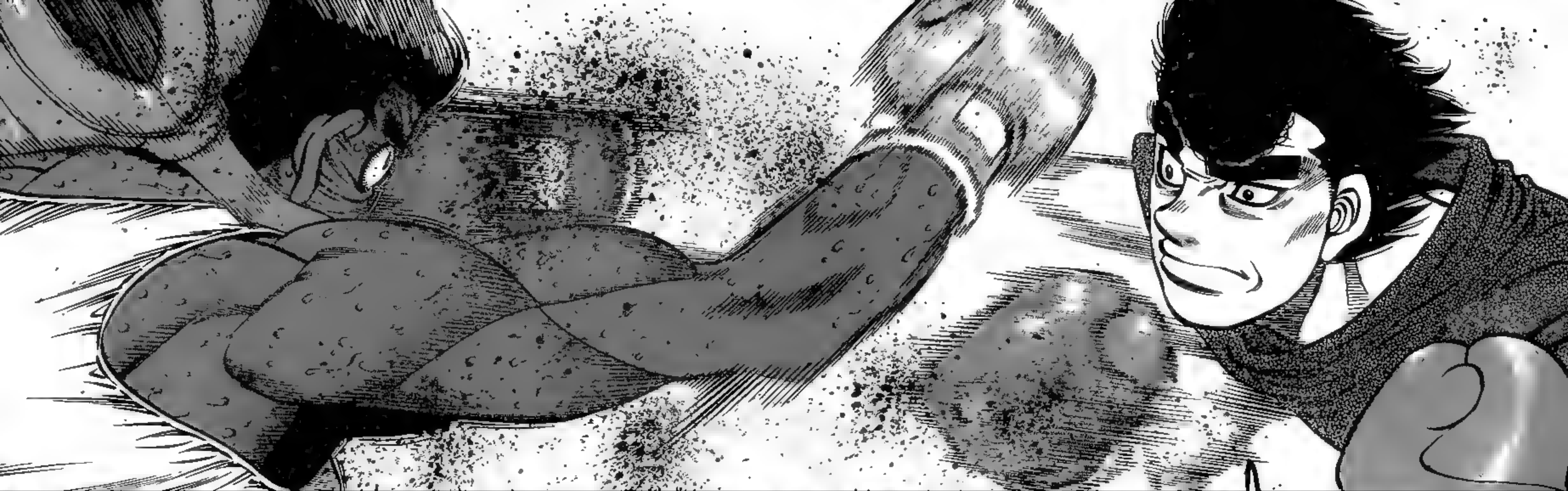


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BIT.

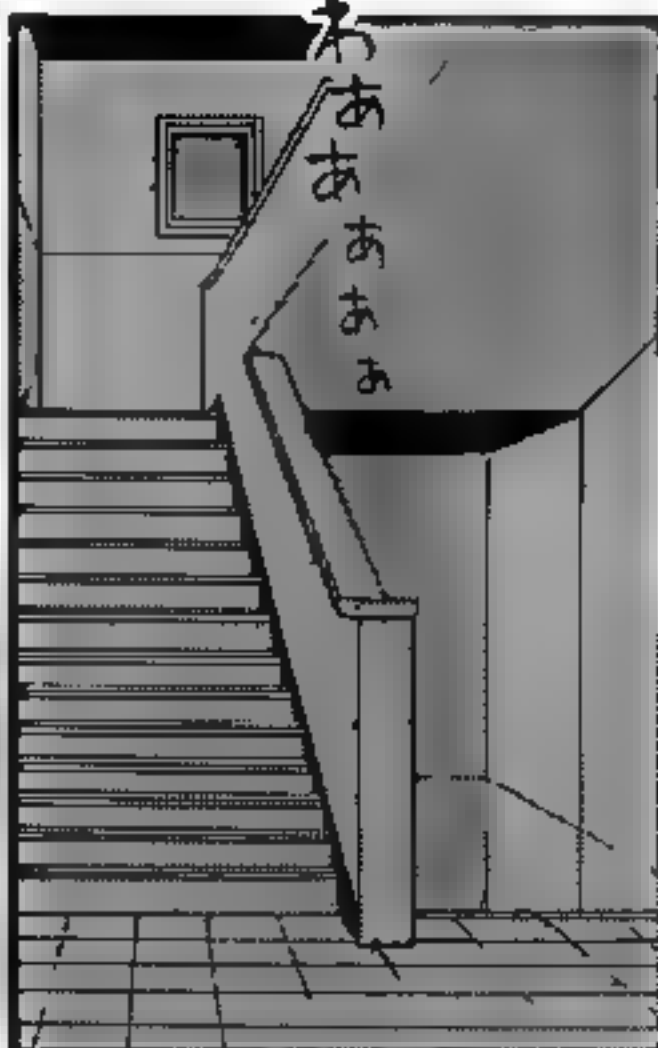
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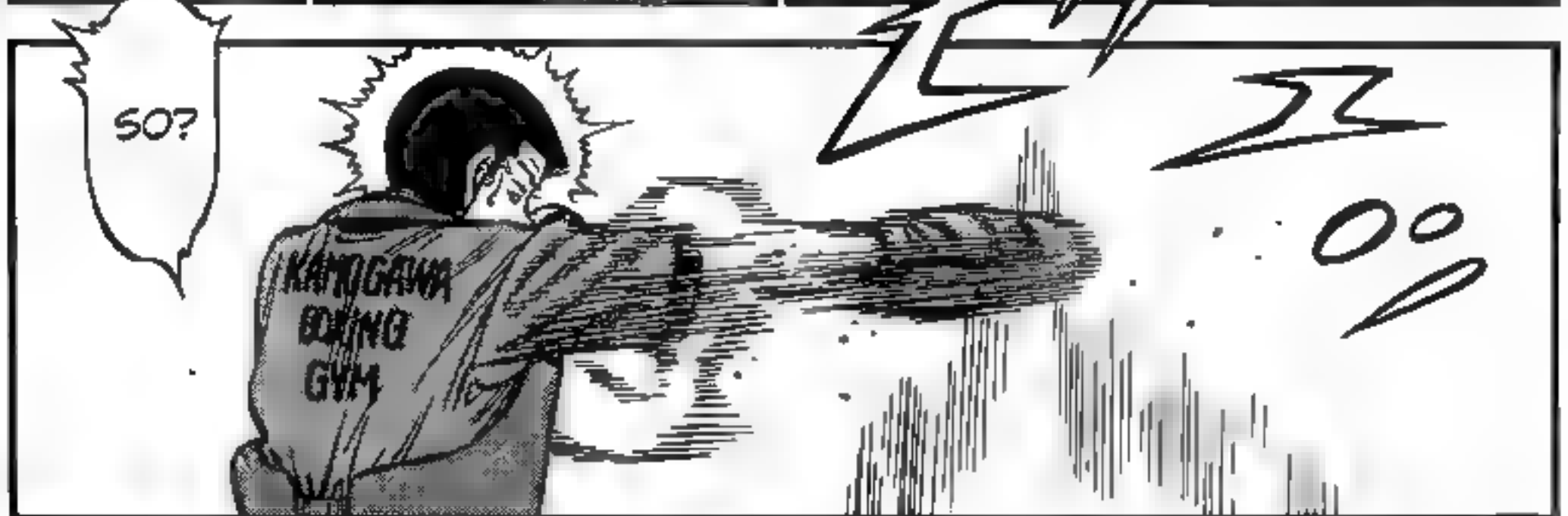
SO  
YOU WERE  
WORRIED  
ABOUT  
ME?



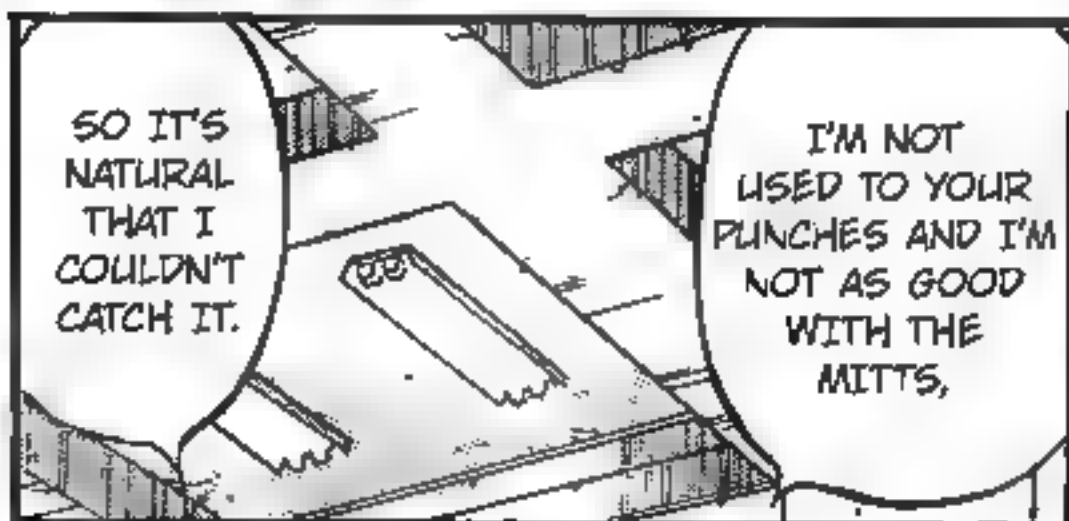














DON'T  
TAKE HIM  
TOO SERI-  
OUSLY WHEN  
HE MAKES  
LIGHT OF  
IT.

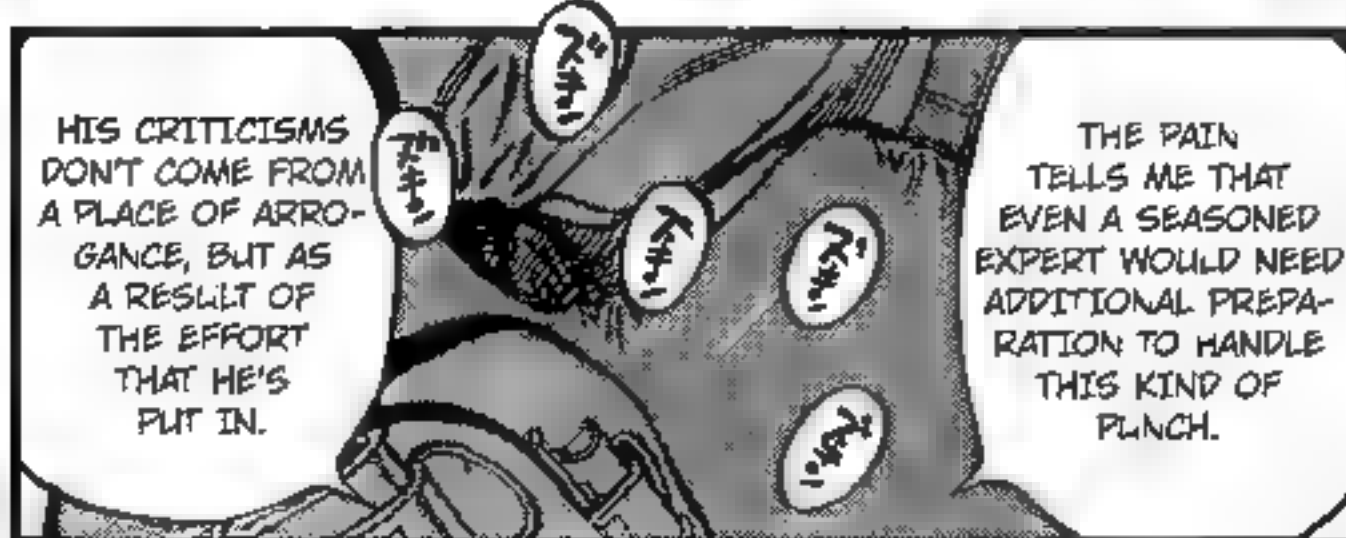


IT MAKES  
THE WAY HE  
TALKS ABOUT  
CATCHING  
MY PUNCHES  
AMAZING...



WHEN  
I THINK  
ABOUT HOW  
HE'S ALWAYS  
HOLDING  
THESE  
FOR  
YOU,

IT  
MAKES THE  
COACH SEEM  
EVEN MORE  
IMPRESSIVE.



HIS CRITICISMS  
DON'T COME FROM  
A PLACE OF ARRO-  
GANCE, BUT AS  
A RESULT OF  
THE EFFORT  
THAT HE'S  
PUT IN.

THE PAIN  
TELLS ME THAT  
EVEN A SEASONED  
EXPERT WOULD NEED  
ADDITIONAL PREPA-  
RATION TO HANDLE  
THIS KIND OF  
PUNCH.



OW  
OW

ARE YOU  
OKAY?!



MAKU-  
NOUCHI.



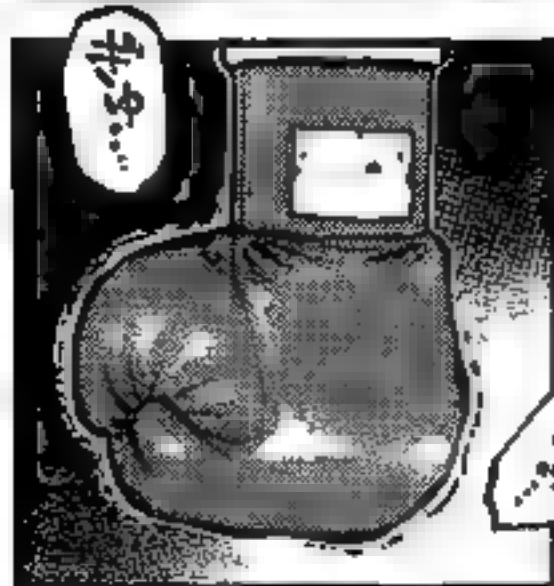
HAVE  
YOU EVER  
THOUGHT  
ABOUT  
THAT?



HOW HARD  
IT MUST BE  
FOR HIM TO  
REMAIN IN A  
POSITION TO  
LECTURE  
YOU...

THE AMOUNT  
OF DETERMINA-  
TION THAT THE  
COACH NEEDS TO  
CATCH YOUR  
PUNCHES...





THEN PLEASE  
SHOW HIM YOUR  
GRATITUDE.

IF YOU'RE  
GRATEFUL FOR  
HIS LECTURES,



RIGHT.



I'LL  
FIGHT  
WITH MY  
ALL!

THE STRONGEST HAVE ASSEMBLED, BRINGING WITH THEM PREMONITIONS OF A FIERCE BATTLE!



WE NOW HAVE THE SIGNING CEREMONY.

THE WEIGH-IN WAS EARLIER, AND BOTH FIGHTERS WERE ABLE TO MEET THE LIMIT.

NOW THEN, LET'S BEGIN!



HAAA.

T/N THE STAMP IS A DUCK (KAMO) AND THE KANJI FOR RIVER (GAWA)

WBC  
WBA

## WORLD MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE MATCH

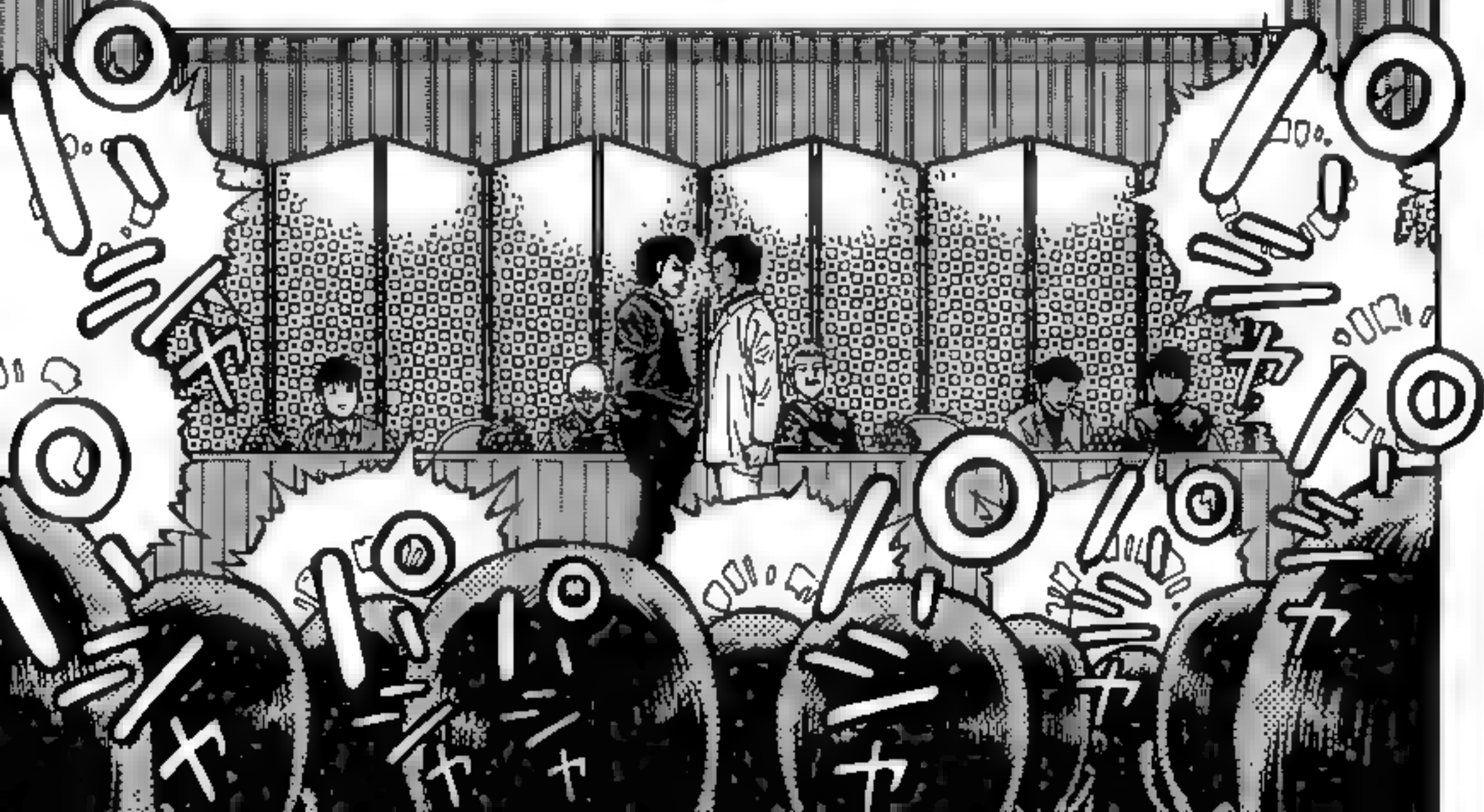
WBA & WBC UNIFIED WORLD  
MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION

TAKAMURA MAMORU (KAMOGAWA)

VS

WBA 2ND WBC 3RD  
CHALLENGER

KEITH LYCAON (AMERICA)





# はじめての格闘技

THE FIGHTING!

GEORGE MORIKAWA

Round 1777  
The Night Before Battle

BEFORE  
THE BATTLE  
BEGINS!!

THE  
CHAMPION  
FACES  
OFF



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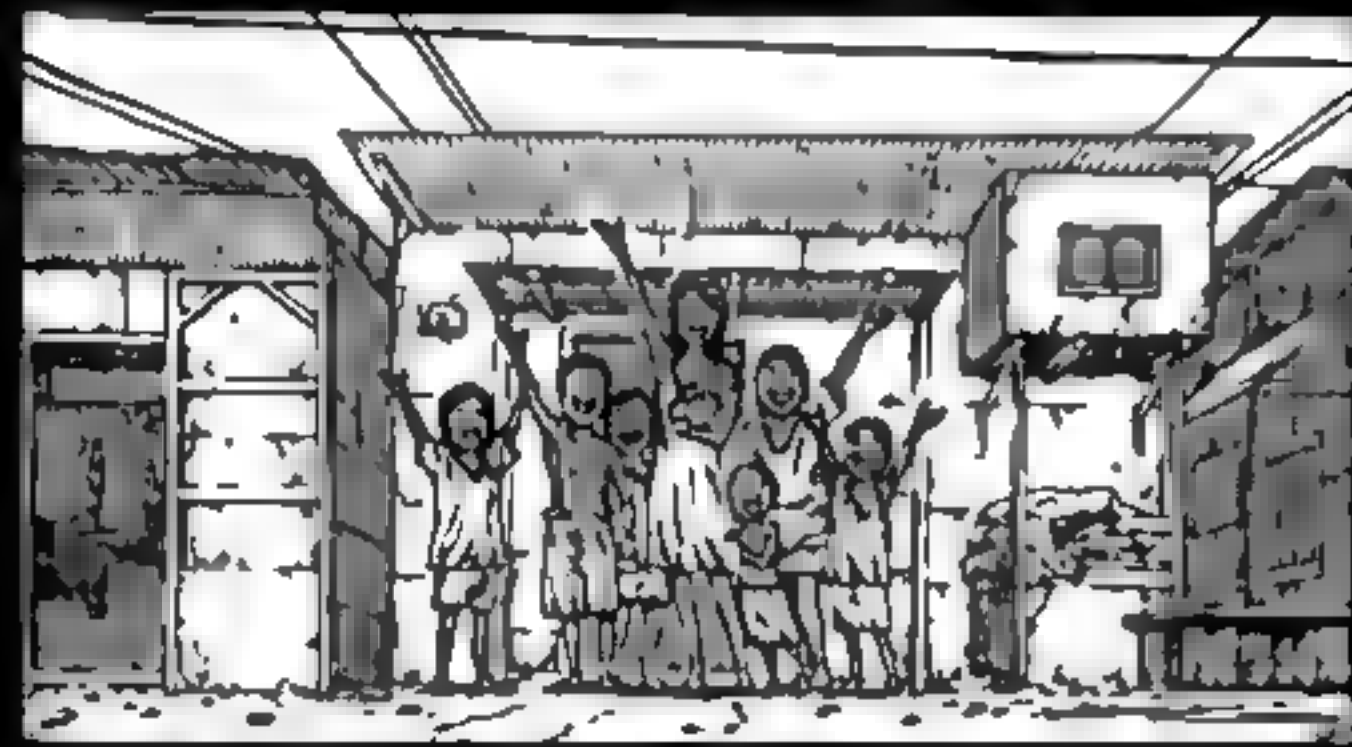


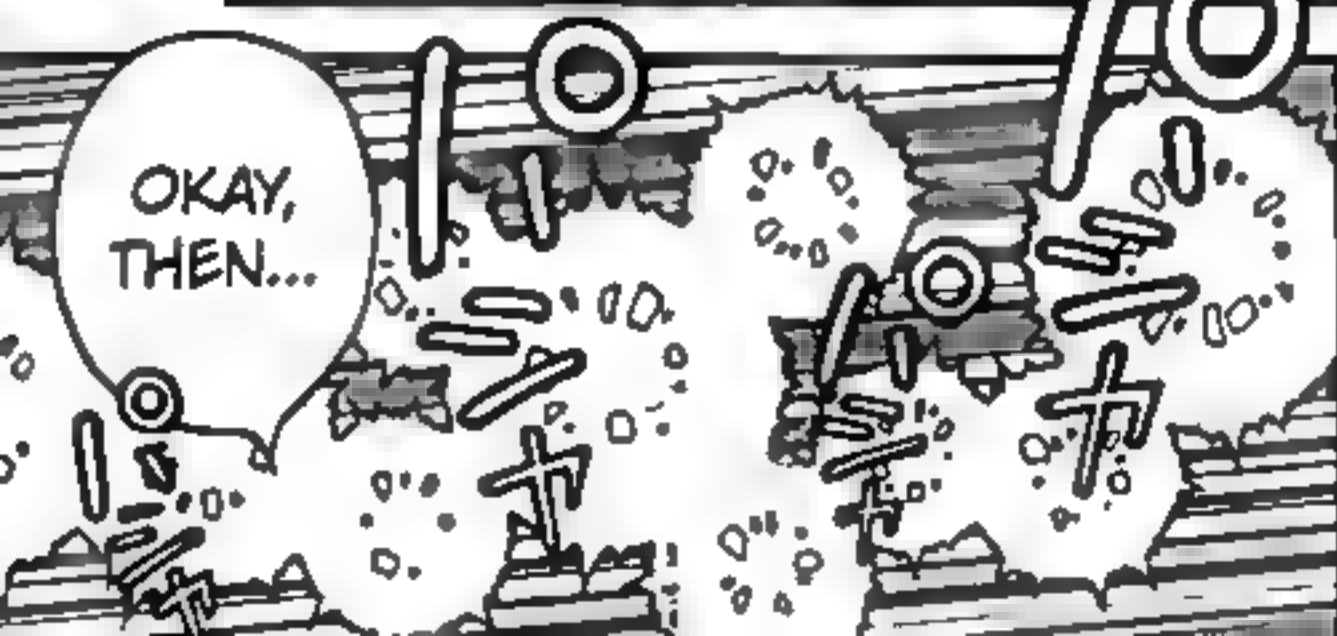
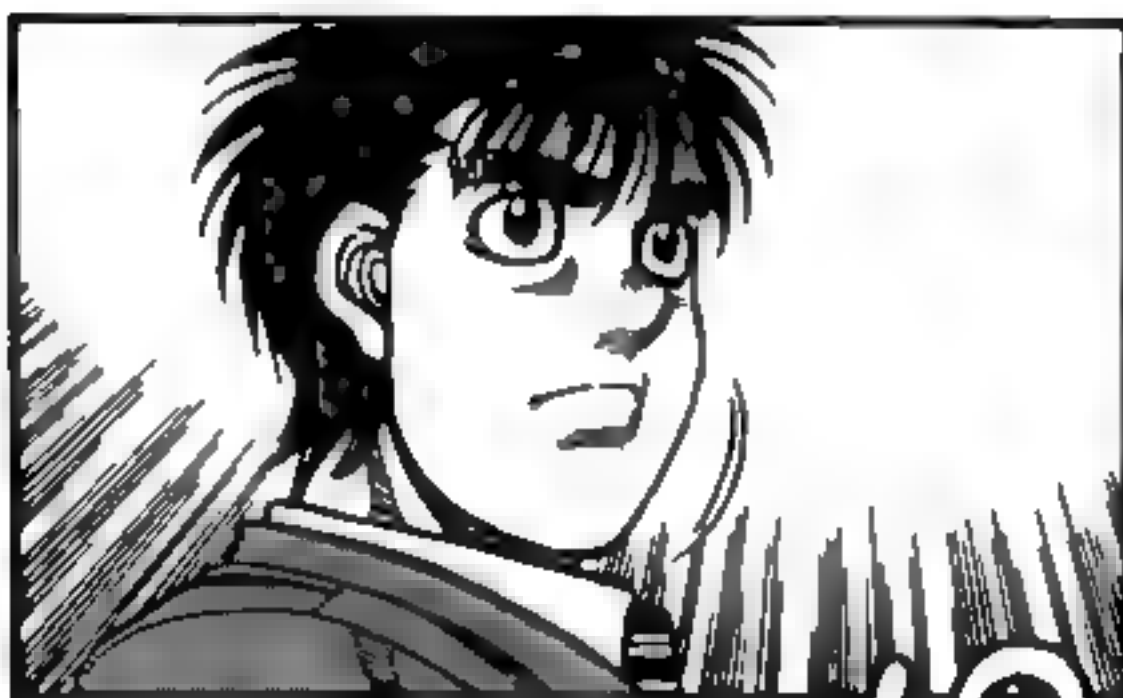
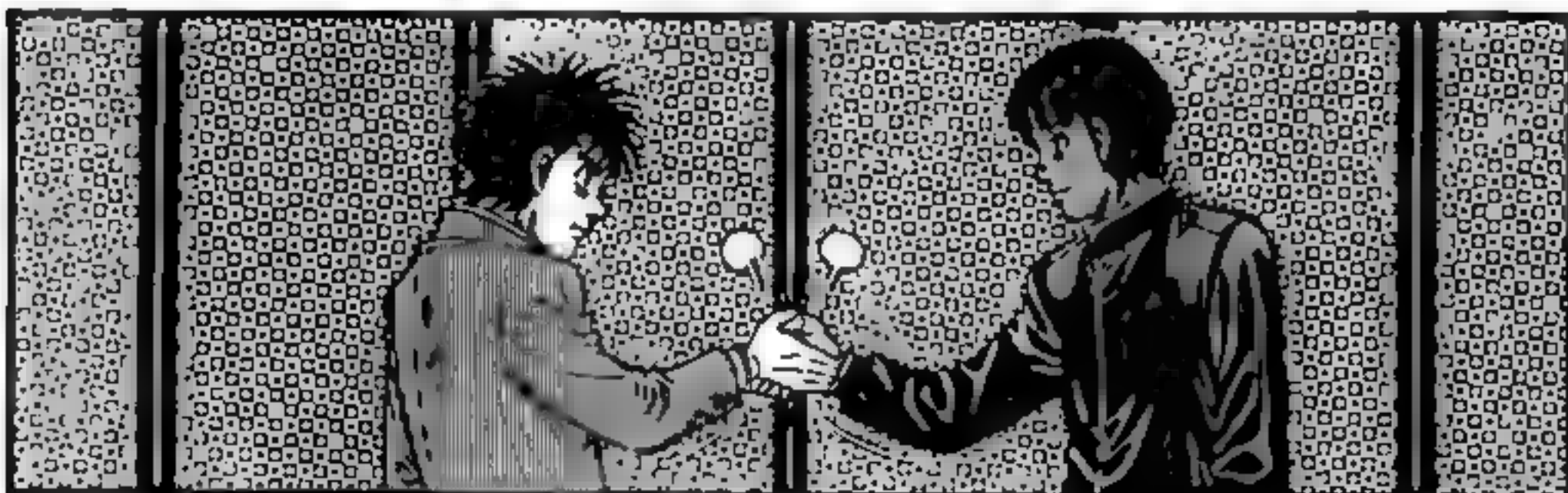


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GUEVARA.





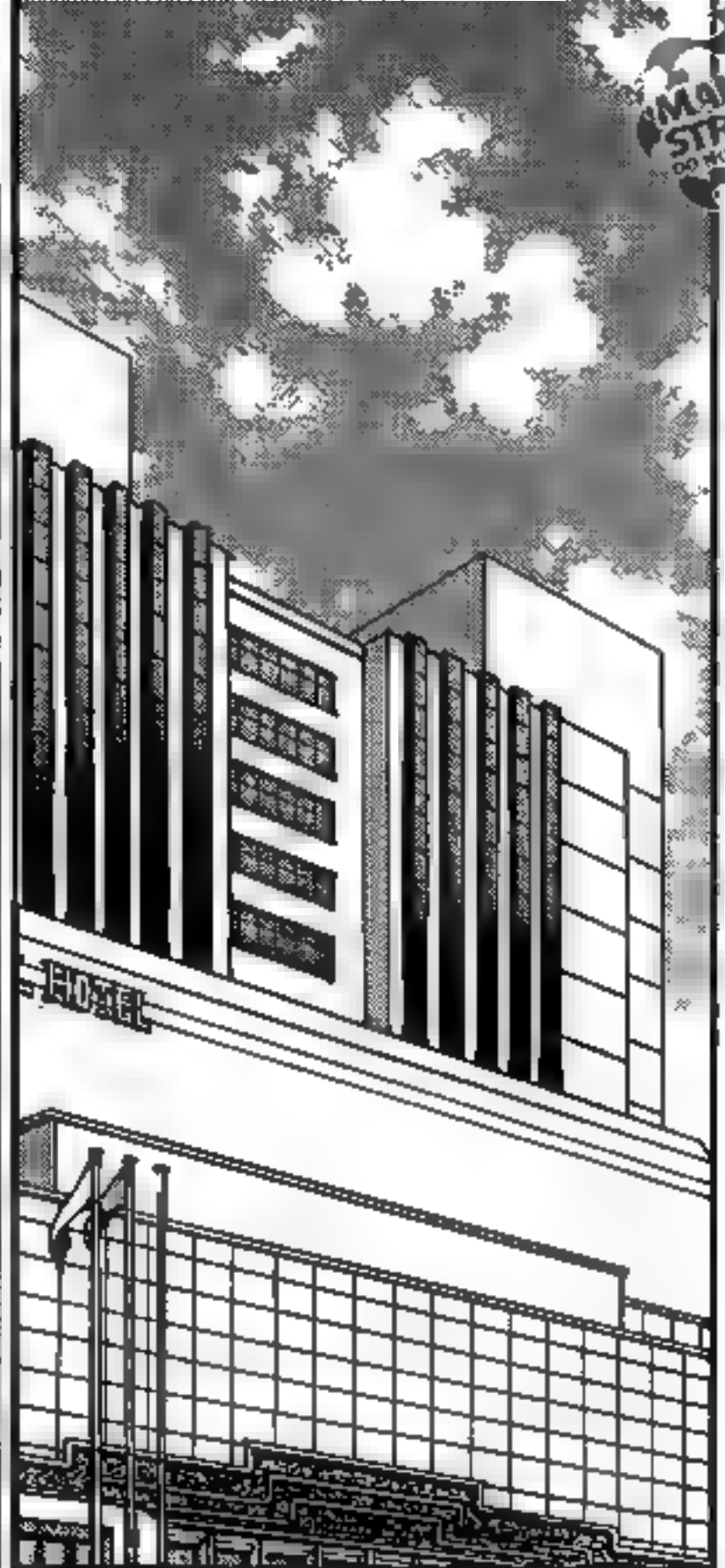






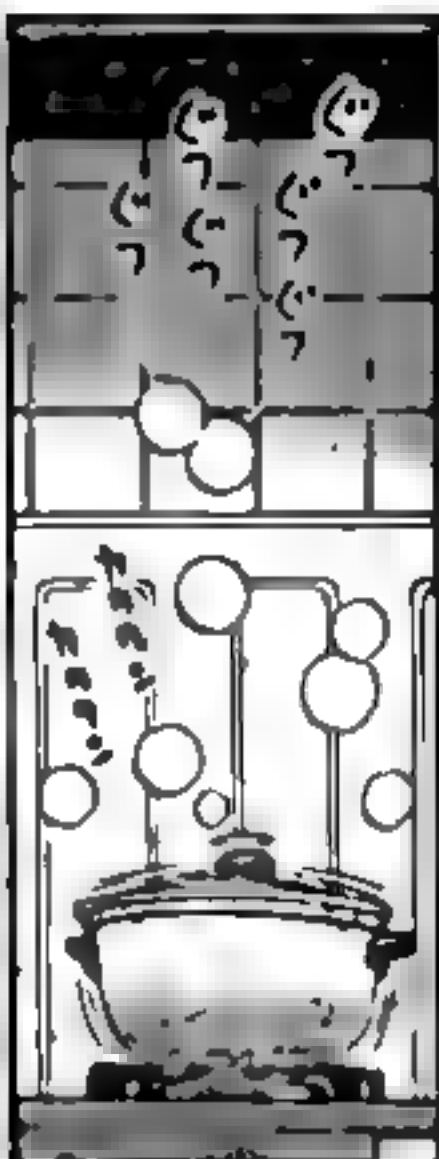
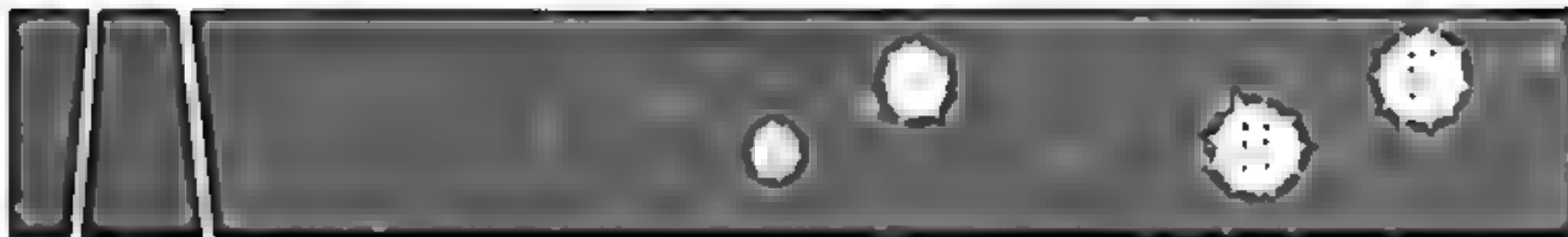
LET'S HAVE  
A GOOD MATCH  
TOMORROW.



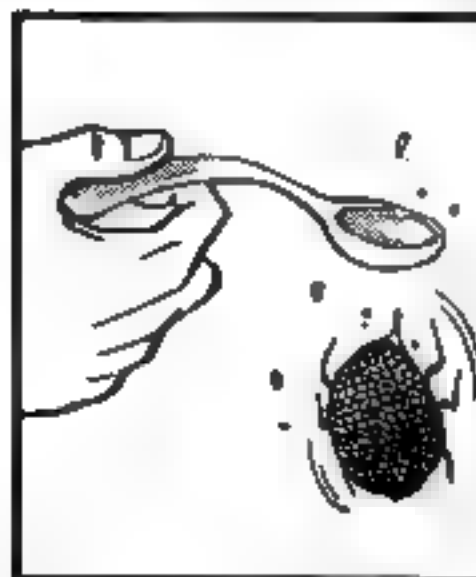


















I'LL  
NEVER  
FIGHT IN  
THE RING  
AGAIN.



I'LL  
RETIRE  
WITH NO  
REGRETS.

IF THAT  
HAPPENS...



WHICH  
IS IT?

QUIT  
BEING  
SUCH A  
PAIN.  
  
DO YOU  
WANT HIM  
TO LOSE  
OR WANT  
HIM TO  
WIN?



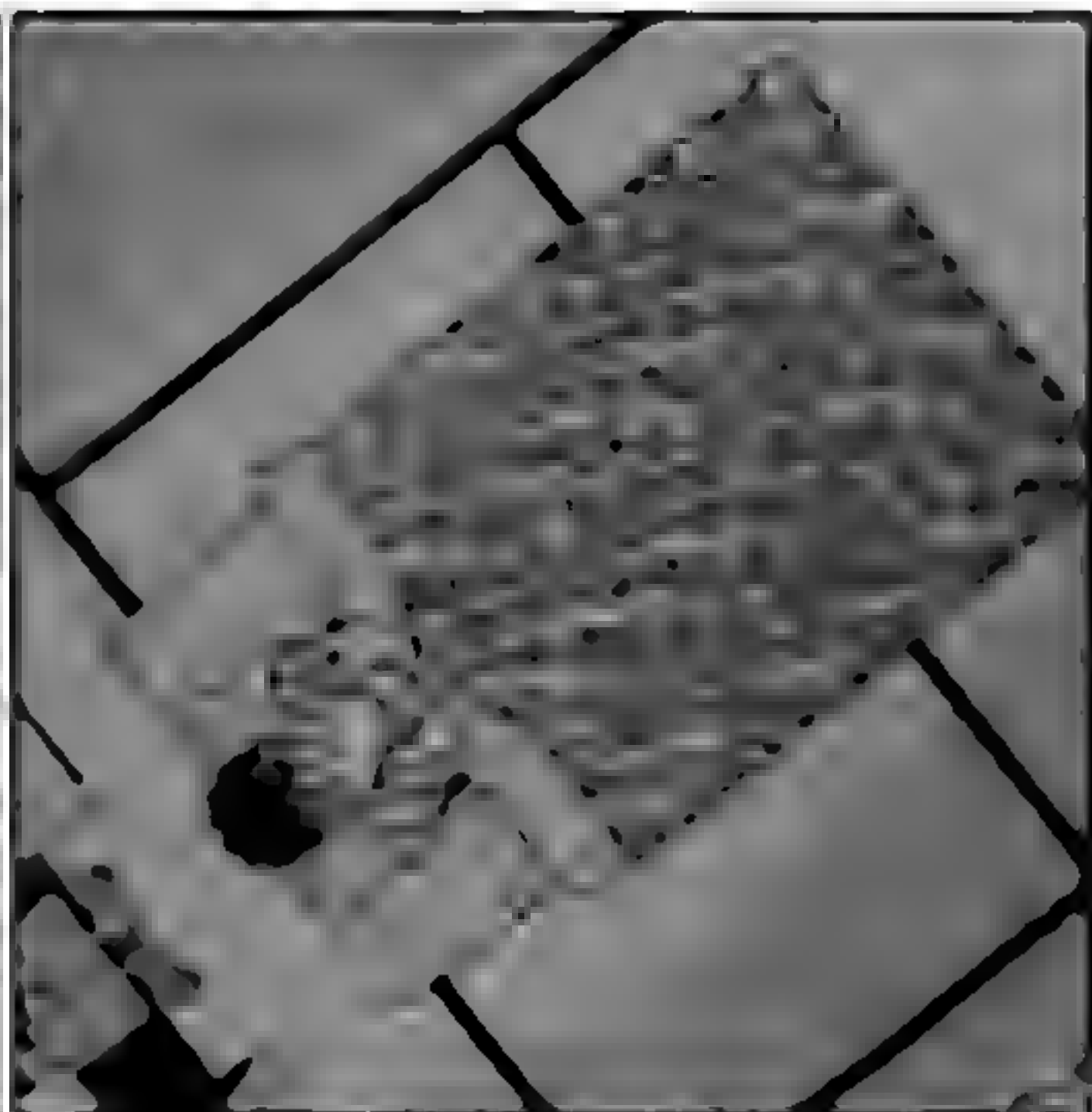
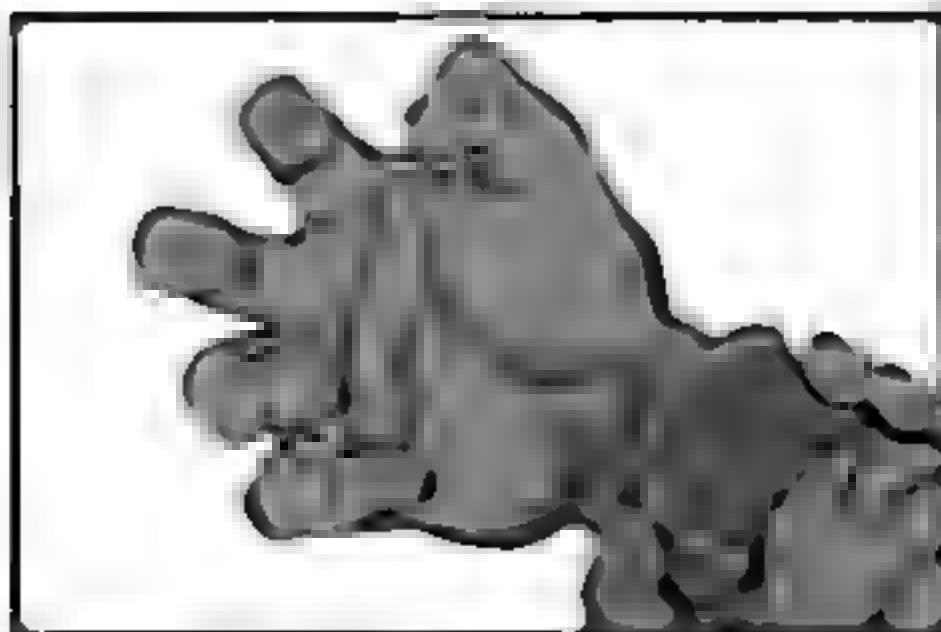
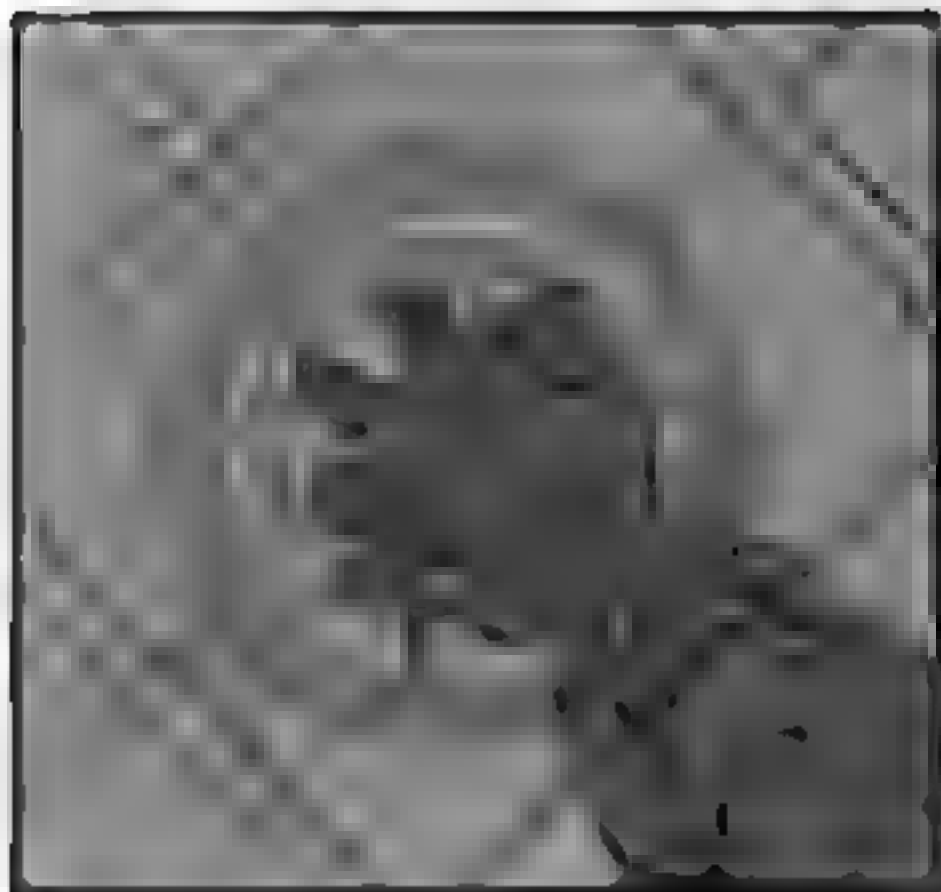
THAT'S  
OBVIOUS,  
I WANT  
HIM TO...

UH...



UH...









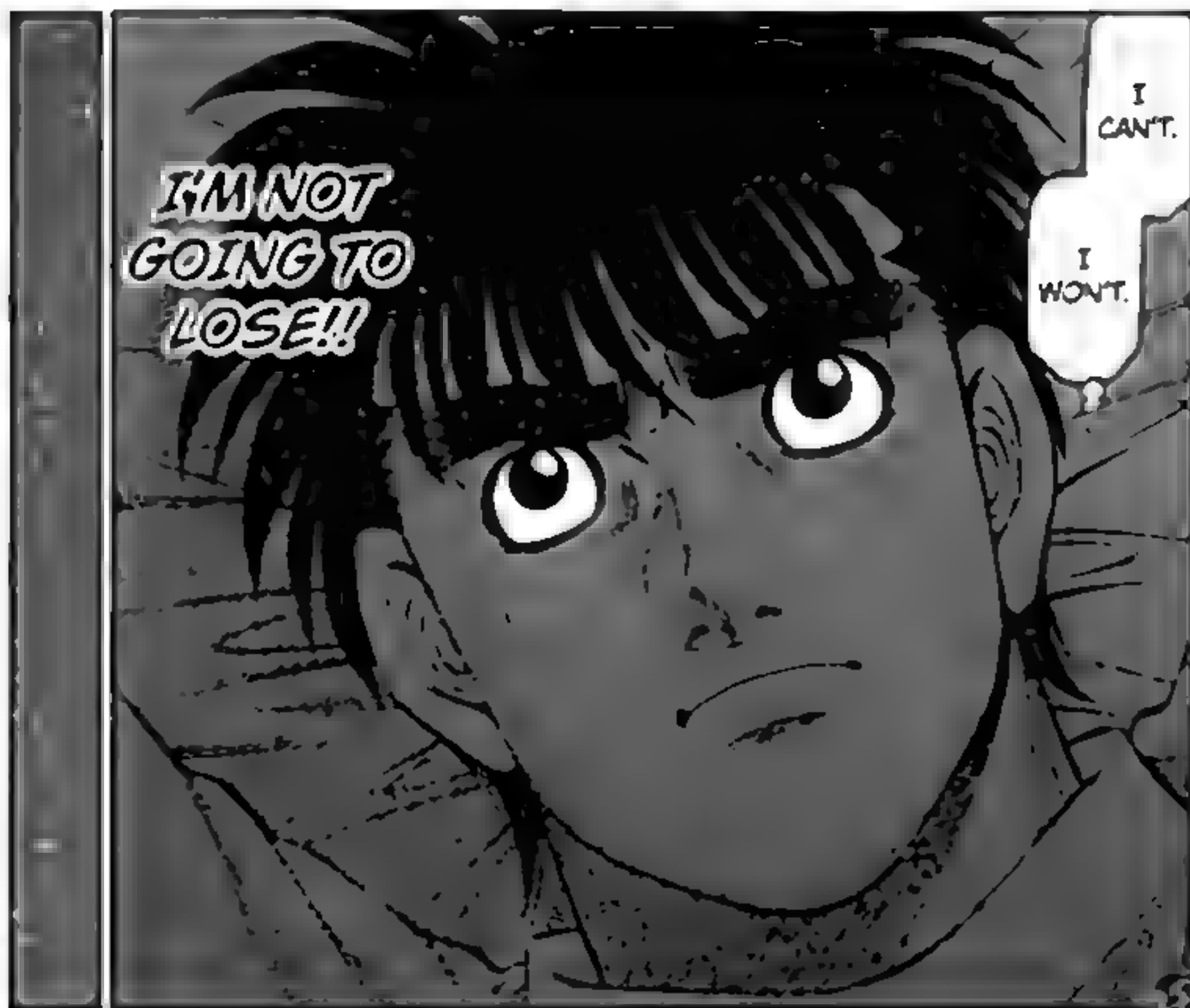
I'VE  
MADE UP MY  
MIND ABOUT  
SOMETHING.

IT'S NOT  
DIFFERENT.  
IT'S THE SAME  
FOR ME!



THE  
THINGS  
THAT HE'S  
WAGERING  
ON HIS  
FISTS

ARE  
DIFFERENT  
FROM US.



I'M NOT  
GOING TO  
LOSE!!

I  
CAN'T.

I  
WON'T.

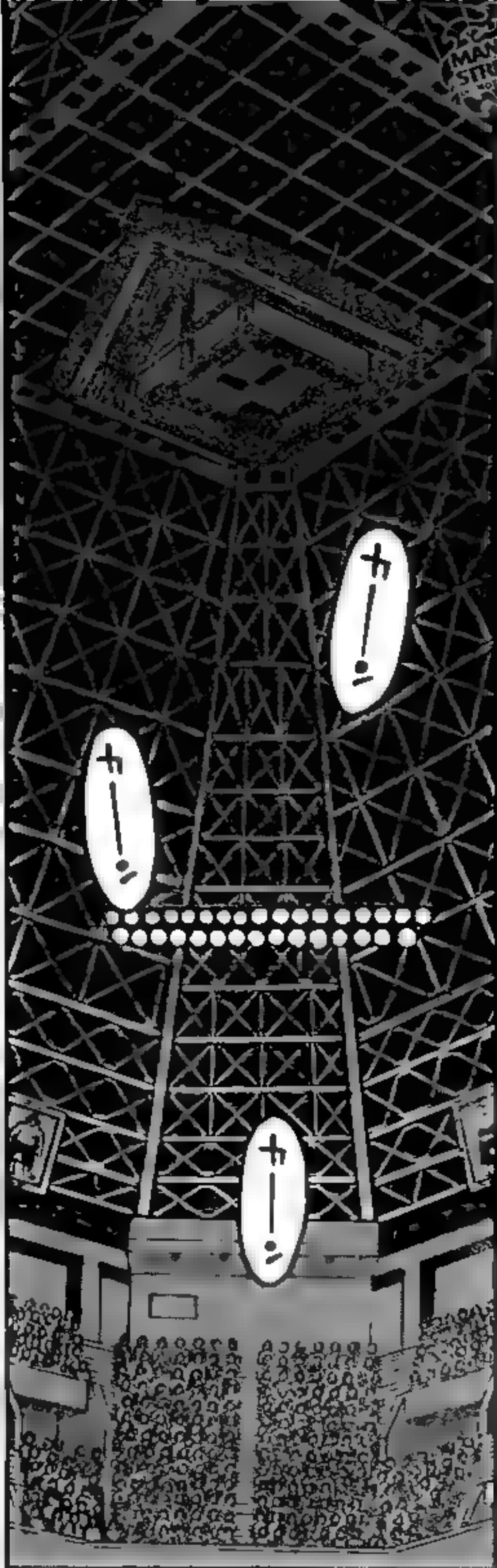
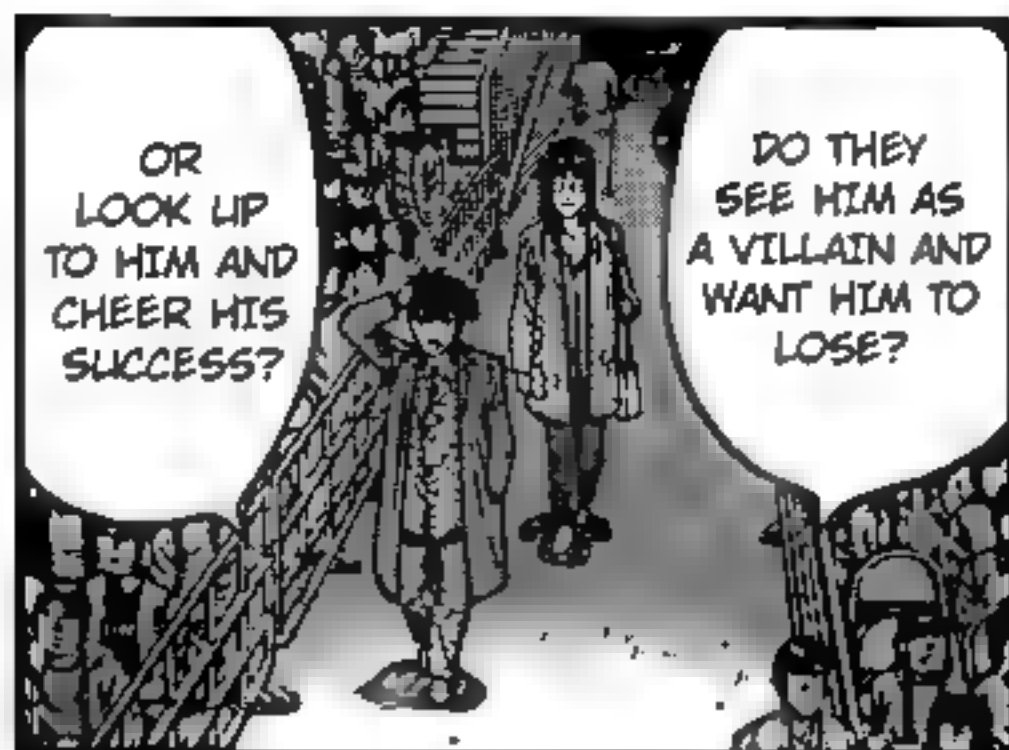




WILL HIS MARCH CARRY ON,  
OR COME TO A STOP...

THE CROWD AND THE BELL WILL  
MARK THE MOMENT OF TRUTH.





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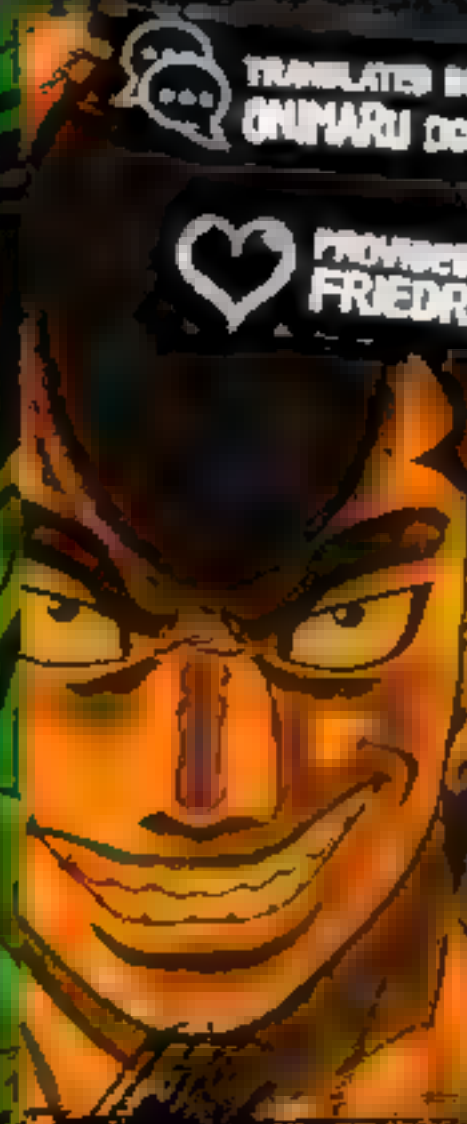
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ANY WAY YOU  
CUT IT, THERE'S  
NO DOUBT HE  
HAS A CERTAIN  
SOMETHING...

THAT  
ATTRACTS  
CROWDS  
LIKE  
THIS...

**THE FIGHTING!**

GEORGE MORIKAWA

Round 178 The Audience

**EVERYONE IS WAITING  
FOR THE STARTING BELL!**

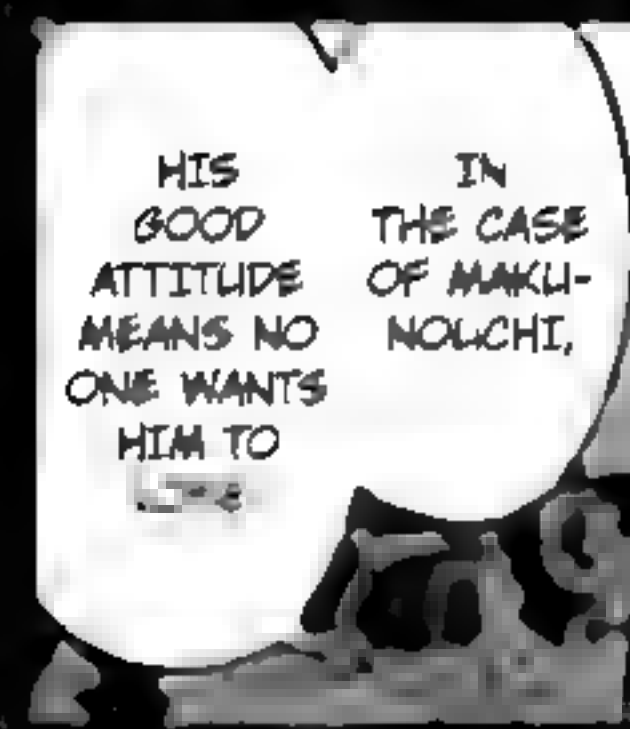


SOME  
INTERESTING...



SOMETHING  
MORE INTER-  
ESTING!

THE PRESS  
SEATS ARE  
THIS WAY...



HIS  
GOOD  
ATTITUDE  
MEANS NO  
ONE WANTS  
HIM TO

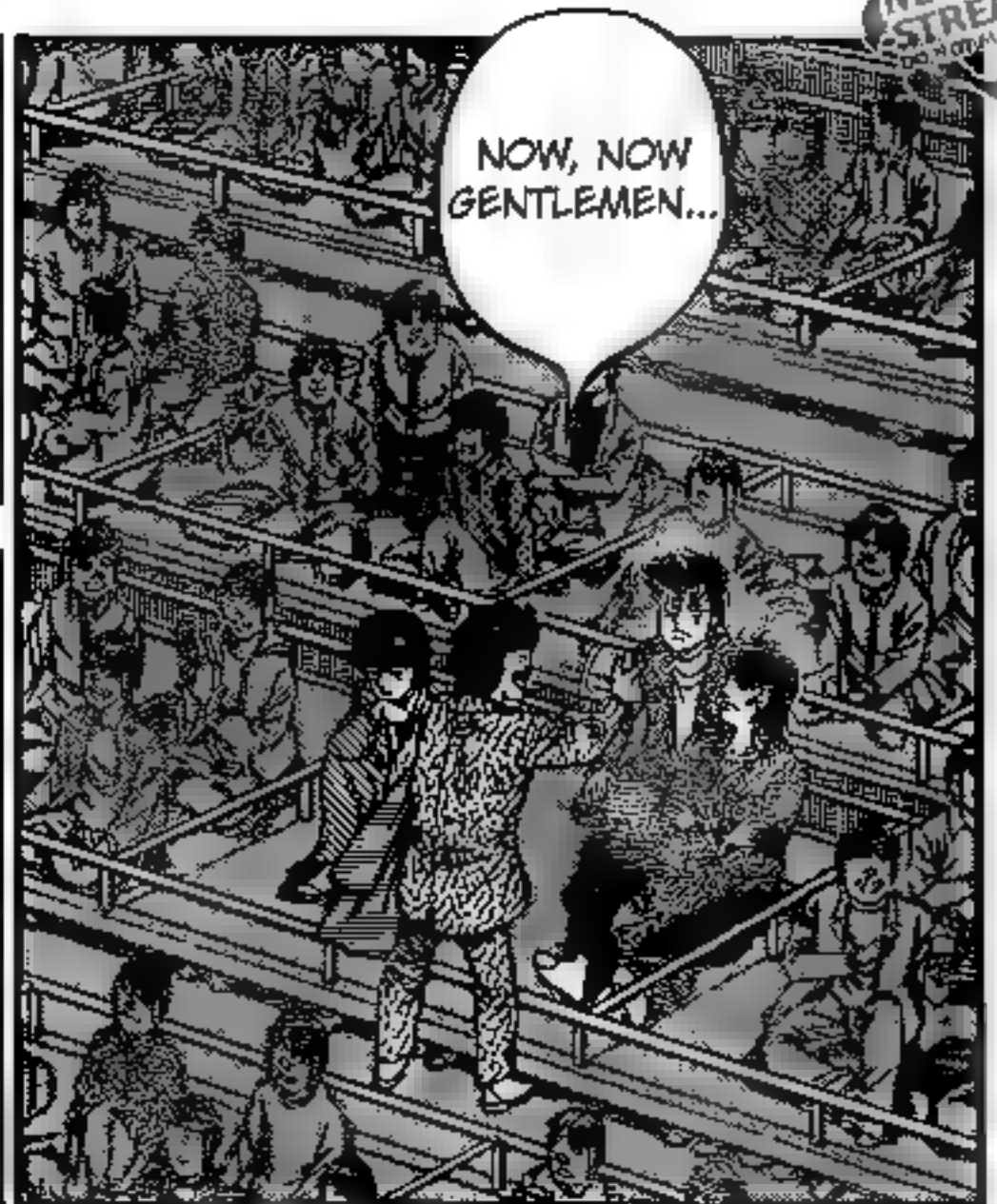
IN  
THE CASE  
OF MAKU-  
NOLCHI,



SOME OF  
THESE PEOPLE  
ARE HERE FOR  
THE SEMI-







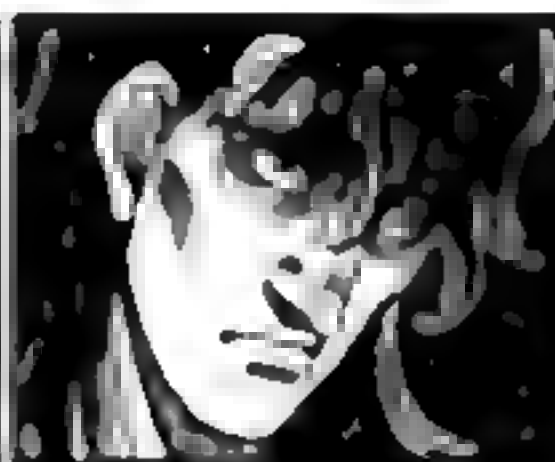




THE NEW  
JERSEY  
ROLL



YO



YEAH, I WAS  
ASKIN' THE  
REPORTER!

ARE YOU  
KNOW

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
ANSWERING  
TO HIM





SINCE YA  
BROUGHT IT  
UP, MIGHT  
AS WELL  
ASK.







...

WHY  
YOU...

FOR  
REAL?

ARE YOU  
THAT PROUD  
TO BE BORN  
A LITTLE  
SOONER?



LET'S  
STEP OUT-  
SIDE.

IF WE  
LEAVE,  
YOU'RE  
COMING.



YOU  
GLYS  
ARE SO  
OBNOX-  
IOUS.

IF YOU'RE  
NOT HERE  
TO WATCH  
THE MATCH,  
THEN JUST  
LEAVE.



GUESS  
HE KINDA  
HAS A POINT  
THERE...

WHOSE  
SIDE ARE  
YOU ON?



!



WHAT THE  
HELL WAS  
THAT?!

SAY  
WHAT  
?!

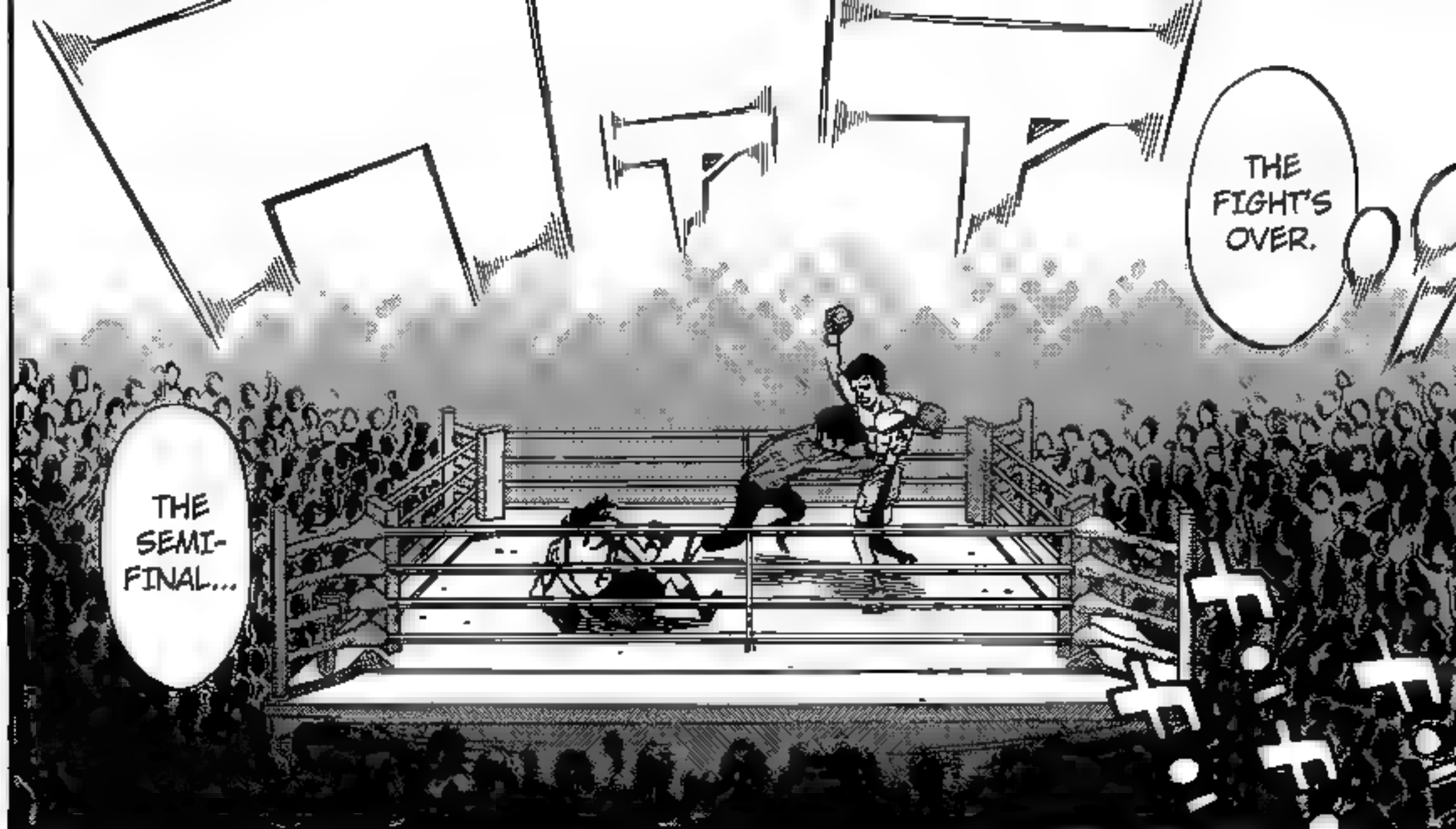
HE'S  
PICKING  
A FIGHT  
WITH US,  
PUSSY!

I CAME  
ALL THE  
WAY FROM  
OSAKA,  
SO I'M  
WATCHIN'  
THIS!

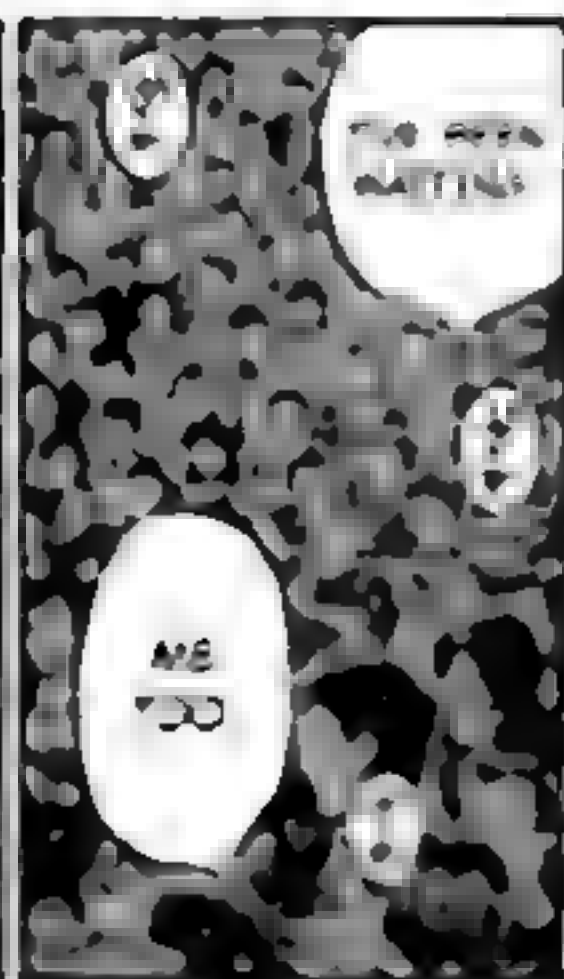
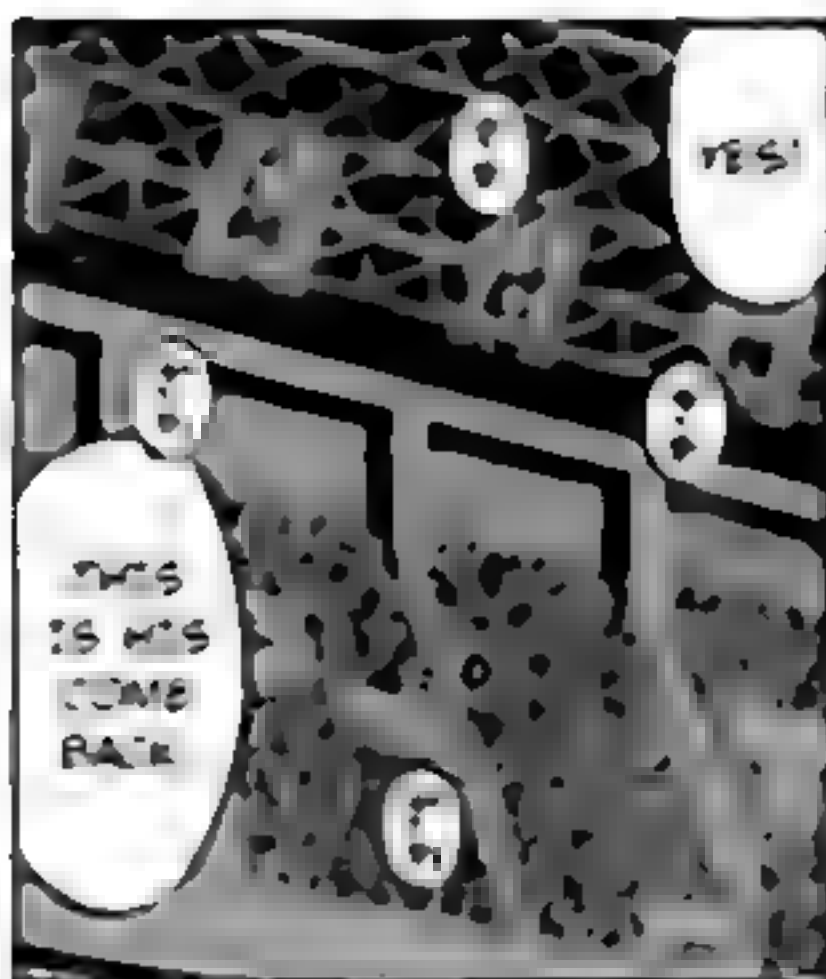
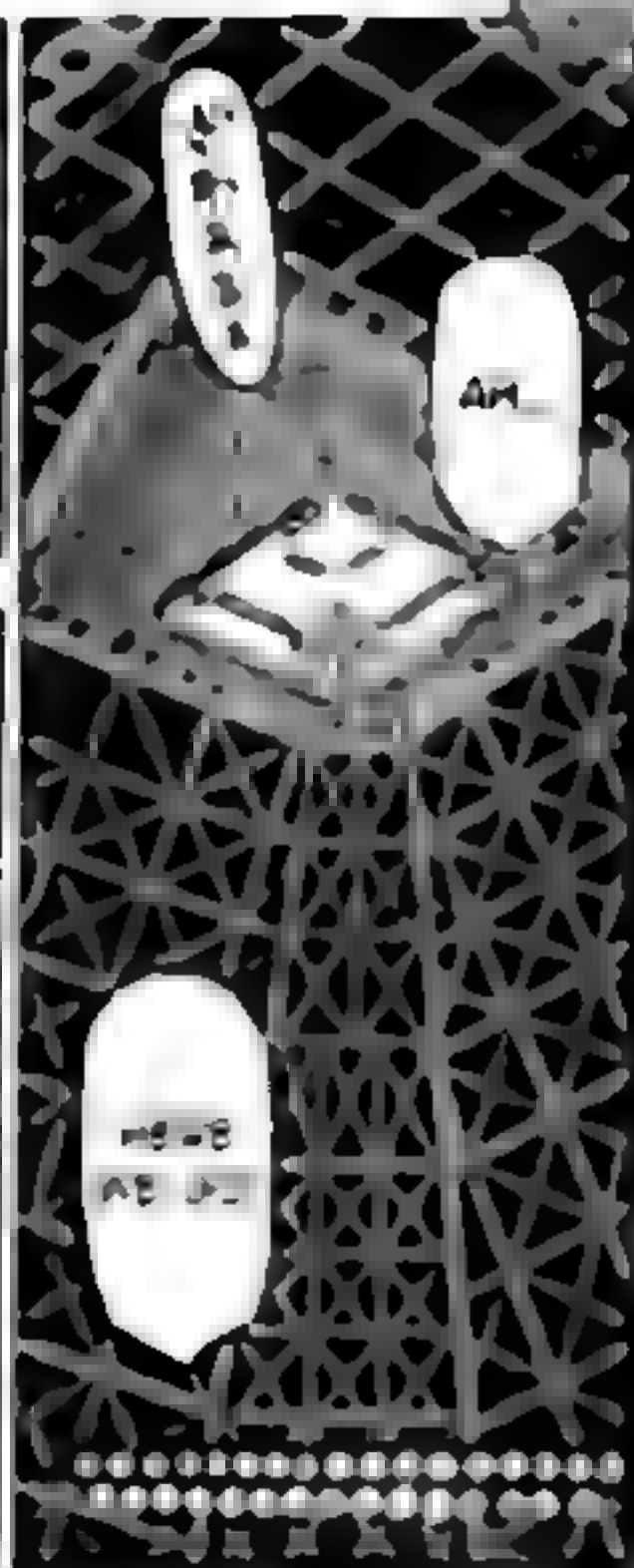
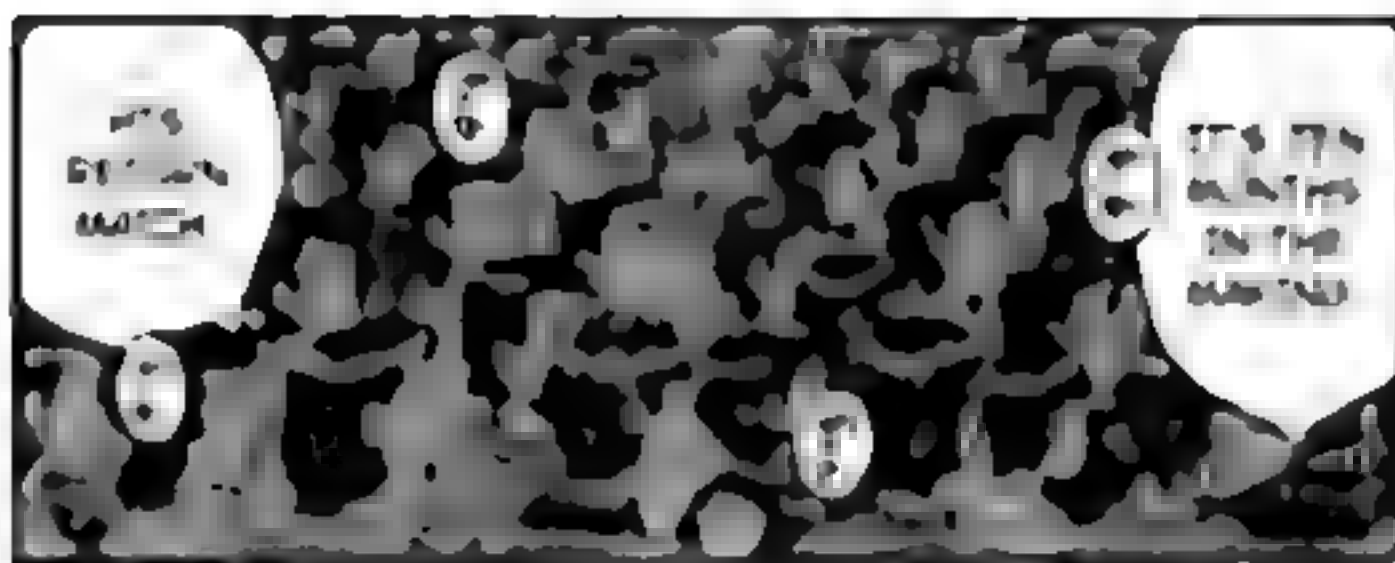
JUST  
GO.



OH!







# はじめての THE FIGHTING! GEORGE MORIKAWA

Round 1179 To The Ring of His Return



WITH HIS FRIENDS WISHES UPON HIS SHOULDERS,  
HE NOW HEADS TOWARDS THE RING OF HIS RETURN...



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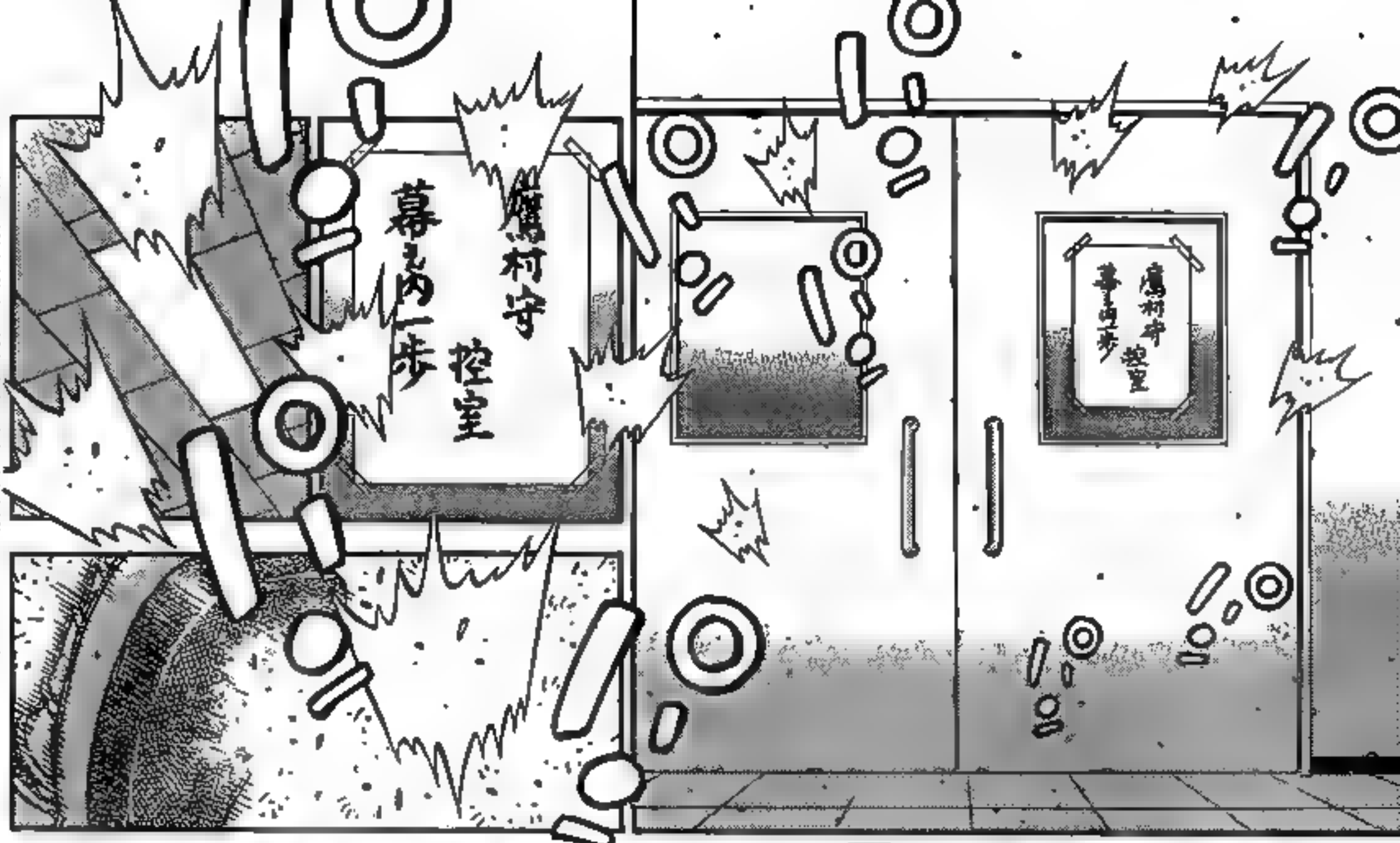
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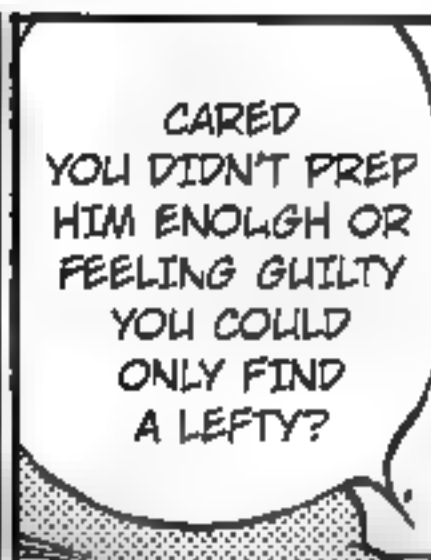


TOO  
LATE  
NOW,

IN ANY  
CASE,



GH...



CARED  
YOU DIDN'T PREP  
HIM ENOUGH OR  
FEELING GUILTY  
YOU COULD  
ONLY FIND  
A LEFTY?



WHAT  
IS IT?

TELL  
ME...



BUT HE WAS  
THE ONLY ONE  
THAT WASN'T  
AVOIDING  
IPPO-KUN.

IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
THAT!

A LEFTY MIGHT  
BE A DIFFICULT  
OPPONENT FOR  
A RETURN  
MATCH,



GET  
READY  
TO MAKE  
YOUR  
WAY.

MAKUNOICHI!



I HAVE  
SOMETHING  
THAT I'M  
FIGHTING  
FOR TOO.

WHATEVER  
HE MAY FEEL  
ABOUT THIS  
MATCH,





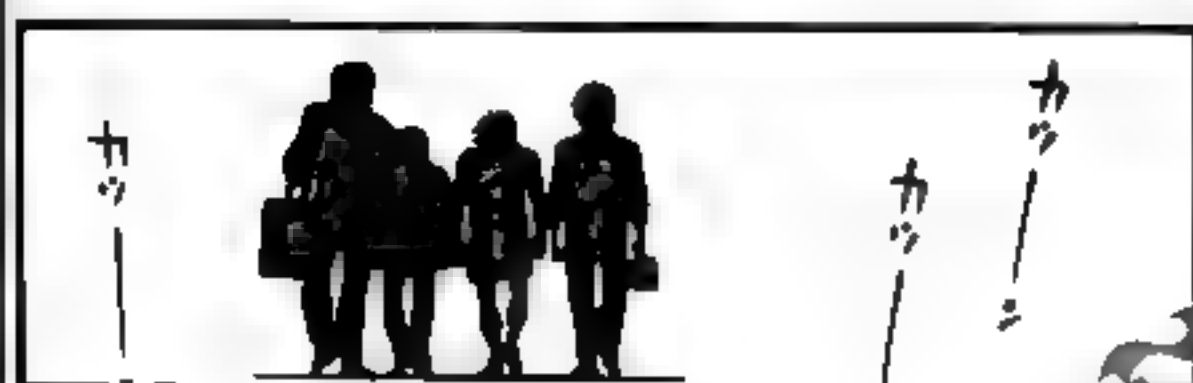
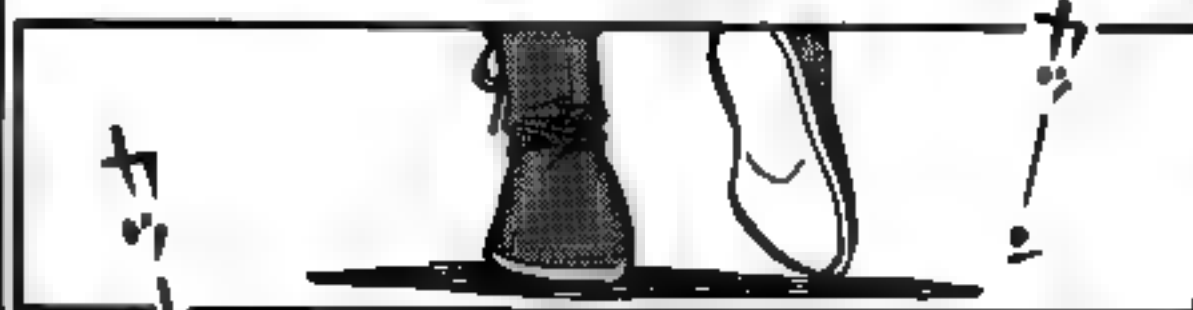
THAT THE  
COACH AND I  
CREATED!

TONIGHT,  
I'LL SHOW  
EVERYONE  
THE NEW  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL



I  
SWEAR  
IT!!





THE FILIPINO  
FEATHERWEIGHT  
CHAMPION,  
ANTONIO  
GUEVARA!

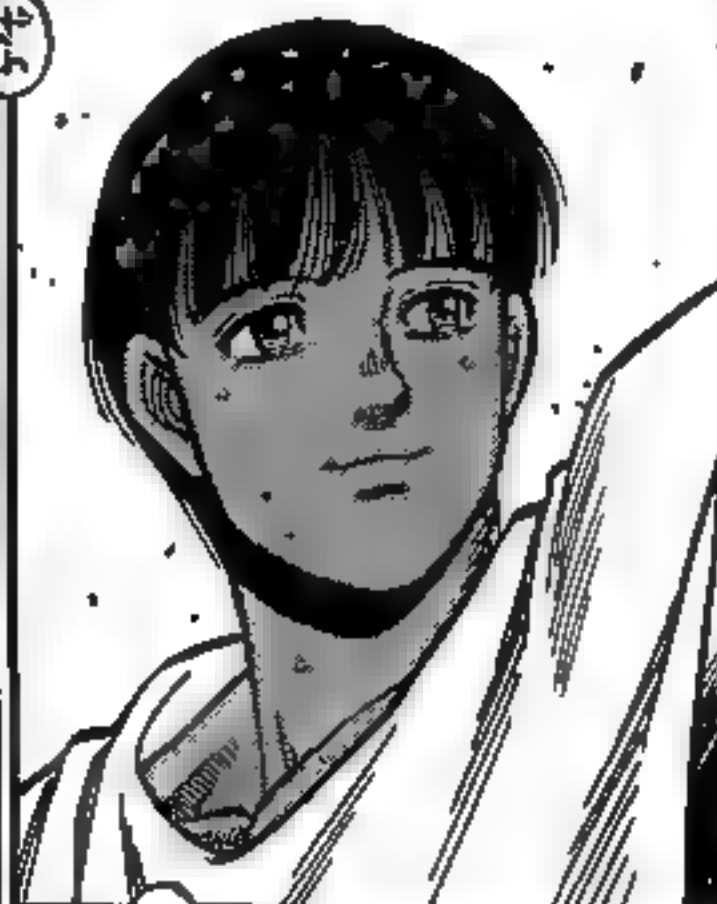
MAKING  
HIS WAY TO  
THE BLUE  
CORNER,





SEEMS  
CONFIDENT.  
DON'T HE KNOW  
HOW POWERFUL  
MAKLINOUCHI  
IS...?

HE KIND  
OF LOOKS  
YOUNG...



THAT'S  
THE GUY,  
HUH?

HE'S COMIN'  
IN WITH HIS  
FIST RAISED  
HIGH.

YOU  
KNOW  
WHAT?

MAYBE  
HE'S JUST  
RECKLESS  
LIKE THAT.

MOST EXPECT  
MAKLINOUCHI TO  
BEAT A NATIONAL  
CHAMP, EVEN IF  
IT'S A SOUTH-  
PAW.

IF HE'S  
REALLY  
GOTTEN  
HIS STEP  
BACK,

THIS DUDE  
STRONG?

SO  
IT'S NOT A  
QUESTION  
OF IF HE  
WINS, BUT  
HOW.

WHAT DO YA  
THINK? HE'S  
A LEFTY,  
RIGHT?



AND BUILD  
EXCITEMENT FOR  
ANOTHER ATTEMPT  
AT THE WORLD  
STAGE!

THIS  
MATCH IS ABOUT  
WHETHER OR NOT  
HE CAN REIGNITE  
EXPECTATIONS

MANGA  
STREAM  
DO NO MIRROR

LOOKS  
LIVELY  
AS HE  
ENTERS!!

ANTONIO  
GUEVARA

MAKUNOUCHI  
IS STRONG!  
CAREFUL IN  
THERE, KID!

THANKS  
FER COMIN'  
FROM THE  
PHILIPPINES,  
BUT YER  
GOIN' HOME  
REAL FAST!

OH! LH...

AND THESE  
CHEERS!

IT'S SO  
HUGE...

THIS  
ARENA...

MAKUNOUCHI  
MUST BE A  
JAPANESE  
HERO.

DYNAMITE  
GLOVE

DYNAMITE  
GLOVE



I GOTTA SAVE A  
LOT OF MONEY FOR  
WHEN I SEE MY  
FAMILY AGAIN

IT'S OKAY.

I CAN'T  
UNDERSTAND  
THEM.

BESIDES...

BENEATH  
SMOKEY  
MOUNTAIN!

I GOTTA  
GET USED  
TO THIS.

THIS IS MY  
JOB, AFTER  
ALL

I'LL FIGHT  
ANYONE, ANY-  
WHERE.

JUST  
ONE OTHER  
THING...

HM?

RIGHT.  
YOU  
SOUND  
READY.



I FEEL  
BAD  
FER  
YA,  
PAL.



HE'S  
JUST  
CANNON  
FODDER.



HE'S  
THE FIRST  
VICTIM...



OF  
THE  
NEW

DEMP-  
SEY  
ROLL!



I GOTTA WIN!!



A  
WILD ROAR  
OF CHEERS  
ERUPT!

BUT YOU  
CAN HEAR  
HIS LOUD SWINGS  
EVEN THROUGH  
ALL THE  
CLAMOR!

FIGHTING  
OUT OF THE RED  
CORNER...



HERE  
HE IS!

OH!




IT'S  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI  
IPPO!!



IPPO





HIS WORLD  
TITLE AMBI-  
TIONS ENDED IN  
TRAGEDY LAST  
TIME!

THIS IS  
THE RING  
FOR HIS  
RETURN  
MATCH!

HIS  
ROAD  
BACK TO  
GLORY!

HE  
LOOKS TO  
REGAIN HIS  
LUSTER  
HERE

AND  
GET BACK ON  
TRACK TO TAKE  
THAT WORLD  
TITLE BELT!

WILL  
THEIR MARCH  
CONTINUE TO  
THE WORLD  
STAGE?!

COACH  
KAMOGAWA IS  
AT THE LEAD,  
AS USUAL!



WILL HE  
FALTER  
AFTER  
SUCH A  
LONG  
BREAK?

ANTICIPATION  
AND ANXIETY ARE  
MIXED TOGETHER  
FOR THIS COME-  
BACK MATCH!





THE 8TH  
RANKED WBC  
FEATHERWEIGHT  
MAKUNOUCHI  
IPPO ENTERS  
THE RING!

WILL WE SEE  
THE RETURN  
OF THE WIND  
GOD?!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI!  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI!  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI!  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI!  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI!

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NOUCHI!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI!  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI!  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI!

WIND  
STREAM

YUP.  
I'LL BE  
BACK.

JUST STAY  
FOCUSED.

HE'S RANKED  
EIGHTH IN THE  
WORLD... GOOD.

I'LL TAKE IT!

DON'T LET  
THE CHEERS  
GET TO YOU.

YOU  
NEED  
TO...

RIGHT.

I'M  
GOING  
IN...

THE  
CREATION WE  
WORKED ON  
TOGETHER...

THE  
COACH  
GAVE  
IT TO  
ME...

SECONDS  
OUT!

I  
KNOW.





*I'LL  
USE  
IT!!*

THE  
MOMENT  
EVERYONE'S  
BEEN WAITING  
FOR! THE BELL  
FOR IPPO'S  
RETURN  
MATCH!!

# はじめる THE FIGHTING! 大

GEORGE MORIKAWA

Round 1180 Southpaw Battle

THE FUSE FOR THE BATTLE IS LIT, AND  
IT LOOKS TO BE AN EXPLOSIVE NIGHT...





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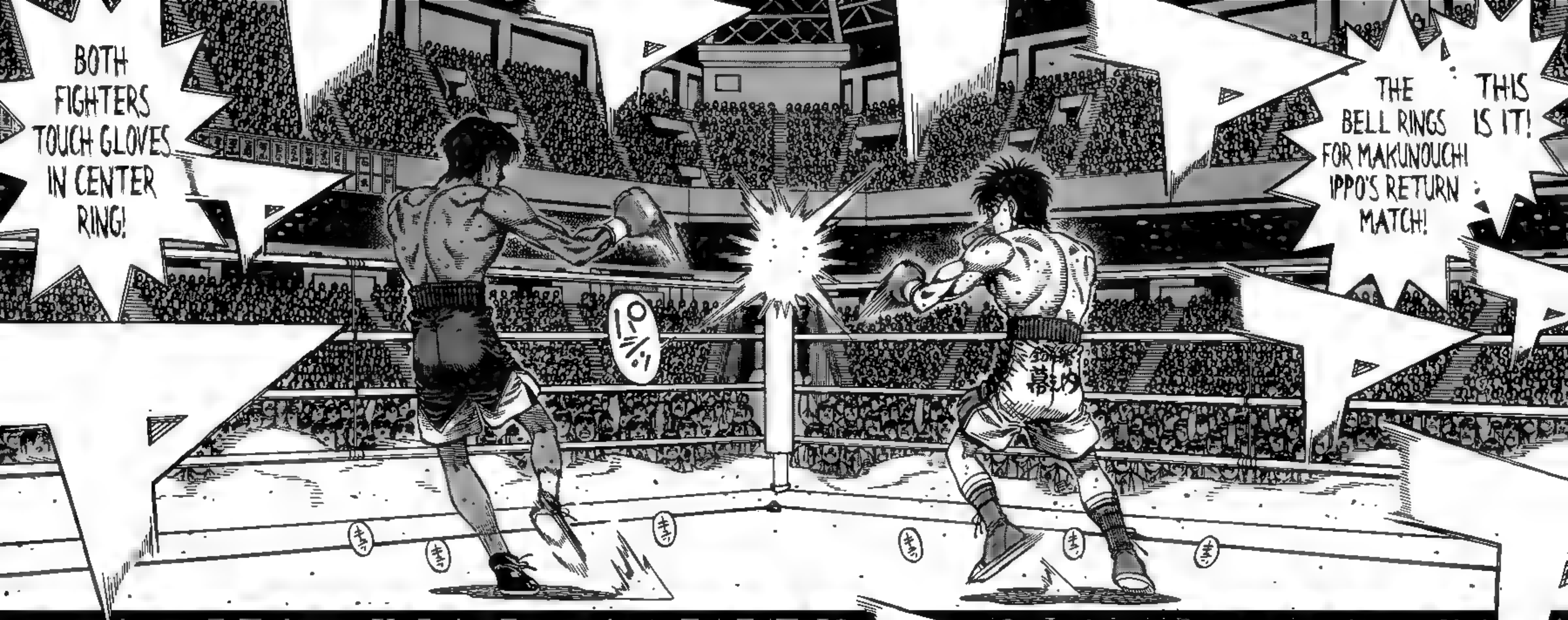
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BOTH  
FIGHTERS  
TOUCH GLOVES  
IN CENTER  
RING!

THIS  
IS IT!  
THE  
BELL RINGS  
FOR MAKUNOUCHI  
IPPO'S RETURN  
MATCH!



SOUTHPAW  
STYLE!!

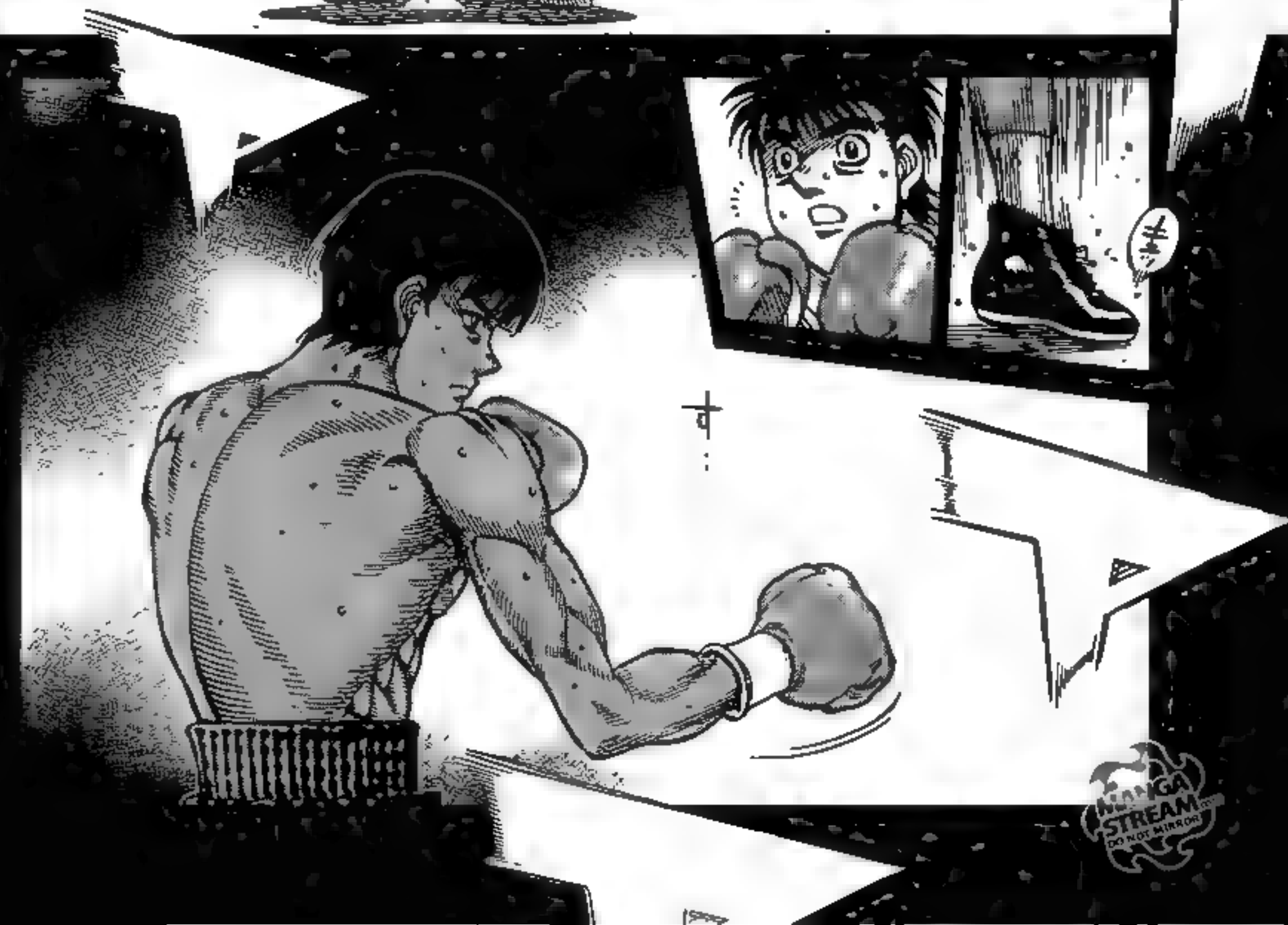


EVEN  
TOUCHING  
GLOVES  
FEELS  
WEIRD.

ARE BOTH  
REVERSED.

AND THE  
LEG IN  
FRONT

THE  
HAND  
HE HAS  
OUT IN  
FRONT

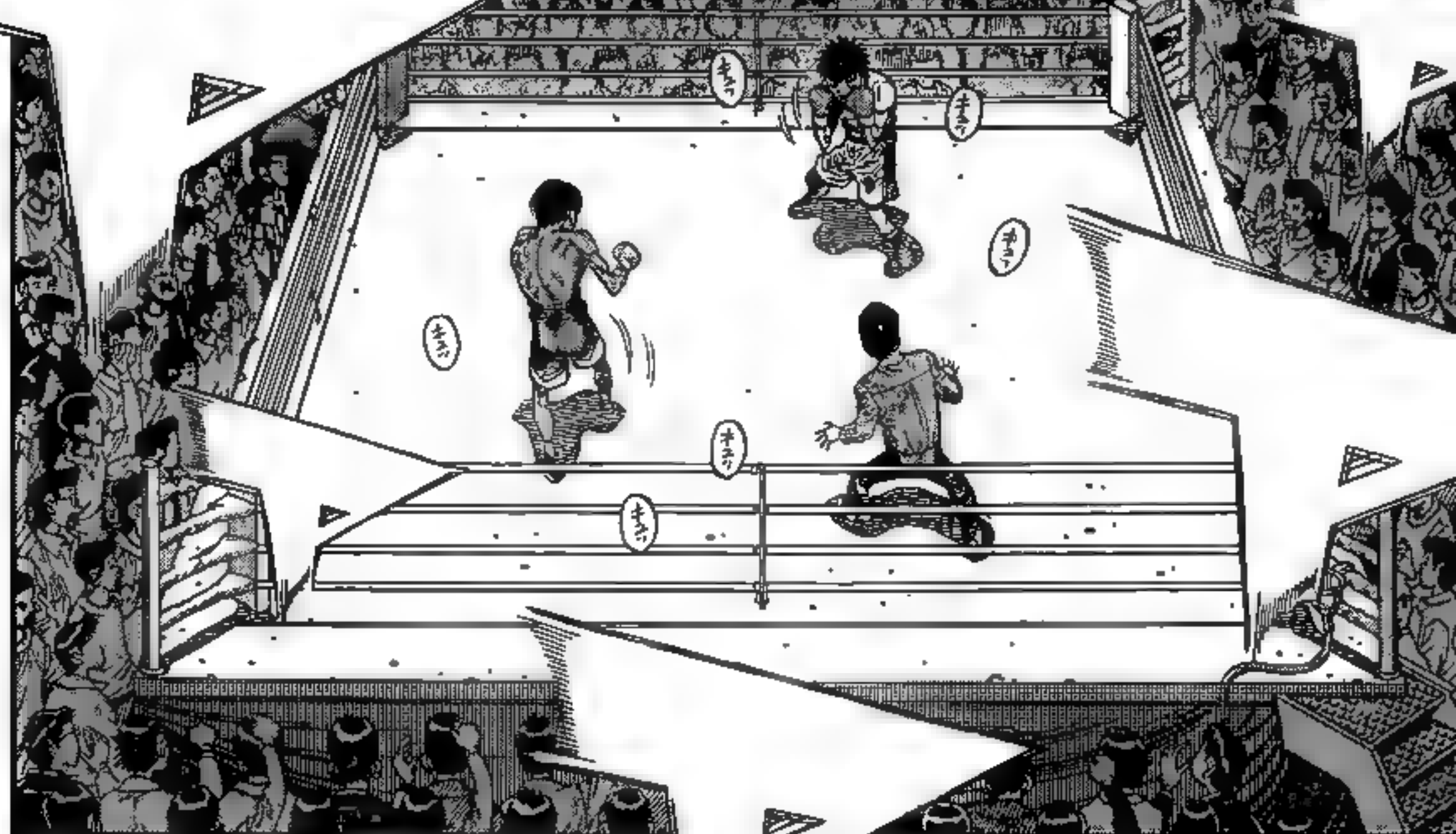




OBSERVE AT  
FIRST? OR GO  
ALL OUT ON  
OFFENSE?!

HIS FIRST  
MATCH WITH A  
SOUTHPAW!

WHAT  
WILL HE  
DO?!



HE  
MIGHT  
TAKE IT  
EASY,

SINCE  
HE WAS  
KNOCKED  
OUT LAST  
TIME,

I KNOW  
HE'S BEEN  
TRAINING, BUT  
IT USUALLY TAKES  
TWO ROUNDS TO  
GET BACK IN  
THE SWING  
OF THINGS.

AFTER  
SUCH A LONG  
HIATUS,  
MY GUESS  
IS HE'LL CHECK  
THINGS OUT AND  
SHAKE OFF THE  
RUST.





WHAT  
DO I DO?  
WHAT DO  
I DO?

HE REALLY  
DOES SEEM  
FURTHER  
AWAY.



WHAT  
DID HE  
TELL  
ME TO  
DO?!

GO  
IN? STAY  
BACK?

WHAT  
DO I  
DO?!

IT'LL BE  
EASIER  
TO BUILD  
MOMENTUM  
THAT WAY.

TRY AND  
PUT THE  
PRESSURE  
ON HIM.



FEIGN  
LOW WITH  
YOUR RIGHT,  
THEN HIT  
HIM FROM  
ABOVE!

KEEP THAT  
UP, BREAK  
HIM DOWN,  
AND THEN  
PRESS  
IN...

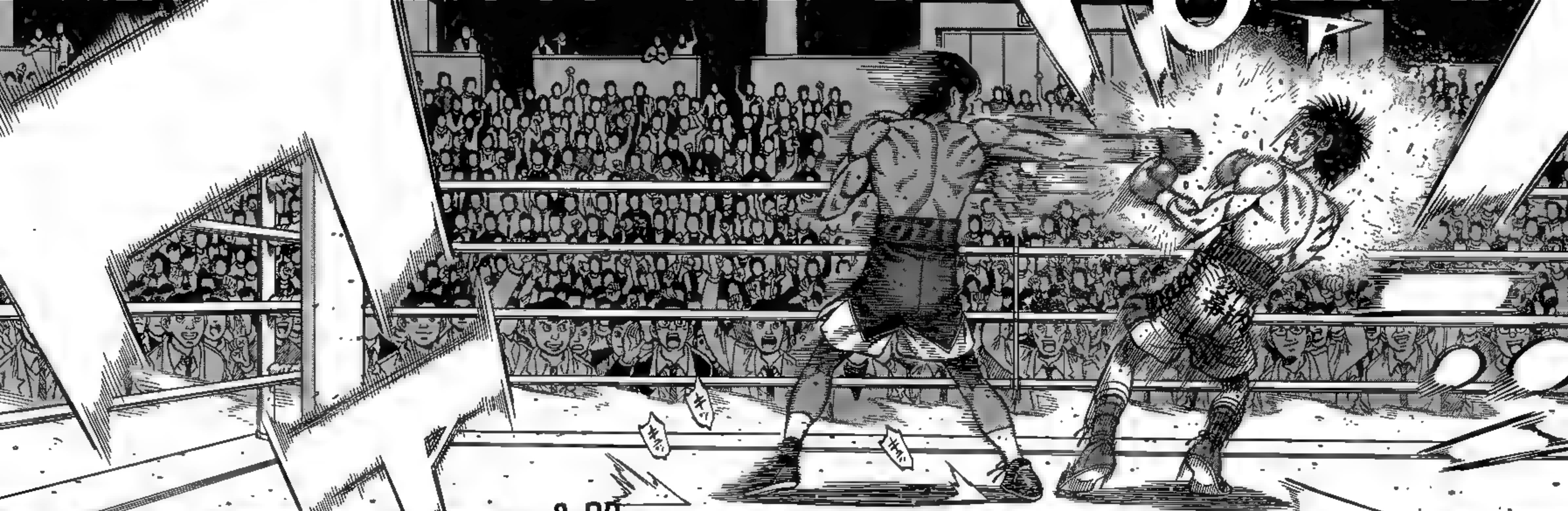
IT'S NO  
EASY TASK  
PRESSING  
INSIDE OF  
A SOUTH-  
PAW!

YOU  
NEED TO  
MAKE THE  
MOST OF  
IT!

START  
WITH A  
RIGHT!

DON'T  
COUNT ON IT  
HAPPENING  
ALL THAT  
OFTEN!







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KH!

HIS LEFT  
FAILS TO  
LAND!

GUEVARA  
IS IN GREAT  
SHAPE WITH  
CRISP MOVES!

I  
THREW  
A LEFT  
OUT OF  
HABIT.

YOU  
IDIOT!

THAT'S  
GONNA TAKE  
A WHILE.

TWO ROUNDS  
TO SHAKE THE  
RUST, BUT HOW  
LONG TO GET  
USED TO A  
LEFTY?

HE'S  
CLEARLY  
HAVING  
TROUBLE  
FIGHTING  
A LEFTY.

THAT  
RIGHT IS  
PRETTY DAMN  
INTENSE.





DARK CLOUDS  
BEGIN TO CIRCLE  
THE RYOGOKU  
KOKUGIKAN!

THOSE JABS  
HIT LIKE  
SPEARS!

HE  
CAN'T  
CLOSE  
IN!

HAIL  
RAINS  
DOWN!  
HE'S  
BEING  
PUSHED  
BACK!

YOU  
GOTTA  
GET IN  
THERE!

TAKE  
HIM TO AN  
INFIGHT!

RUSH IN  
AND GET  
HIM!!

WILL  
HE BE  
OKAY?

THIS  
GUY IS  
STRONG.

EVERYONE IN  
THIS ARENA  
REMEMBERS  
THAT K.O.  
LOSS!

IT'S JUST  
LIKE THE  
NIGHTMARE  
OF HIS LAST  
MATCH!

IF  
THIS  
KEEPS  
UP...

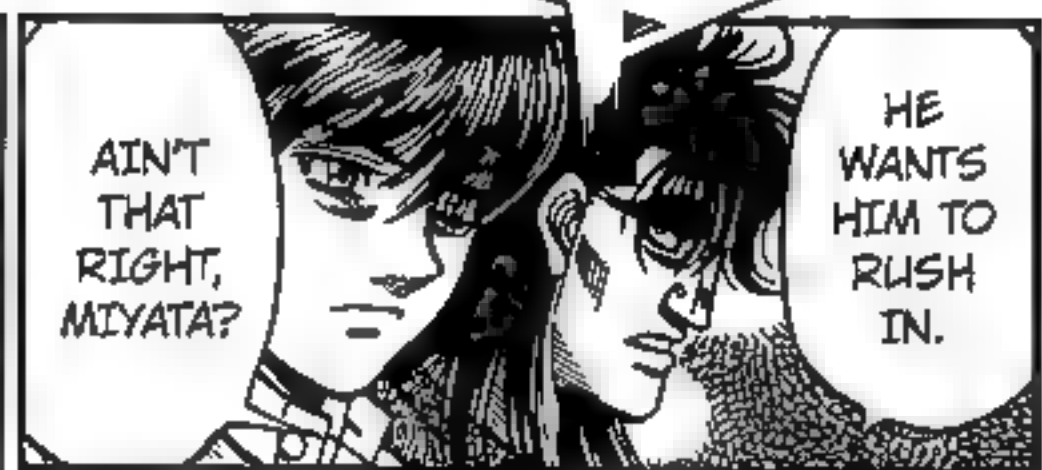
IT  
CAN'T,  
CAN  
IT?





HIS  
STANCE  
MIGHT BE  
FLIPPED,

BUT HE'S  
AIMING FOR THE  
SAME COUNTER  
GONZALES  
LANDED.



AIN'T  
THAT  
RIGHT,  
MIYATA?

HE  
WANTS  
HIM TO  
RUSH  
IN.



THE BIG  
GUN IS  
WAITING.

IF HE  
FORCES HIS  
WAY PAST  
THOSE  
JABS,



GO  
IN!



SO HE  
SHOULDN'T  
RUSH IN  
THEN?



BUT I CAN'T  
JUST STAND  
HERE AND  
WATCH!

I DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT  
TO DO...

THIS HAS  
TURNED  
INTO ME  
HOLDING  
BACK AND  
OBSERVING  
INSTEAD.



SLUG  
IT OUT AND  
NONE-A THAT  
STUFF'LL  
MATTER.

SOUTHPAW?  
WHO CARES?  
HE'S RUSTY?  
WHO GIVES  
A SHIT?



IN THAT  
CASE...

I DON'T  
THINK ANY  
AMOUNT OF  
THINKING  
WILL HELP.



THAT'S  
WHAT HE  
ALWAYS  
DOES.

*I  
NEED*

*TO  
GO  
!!*







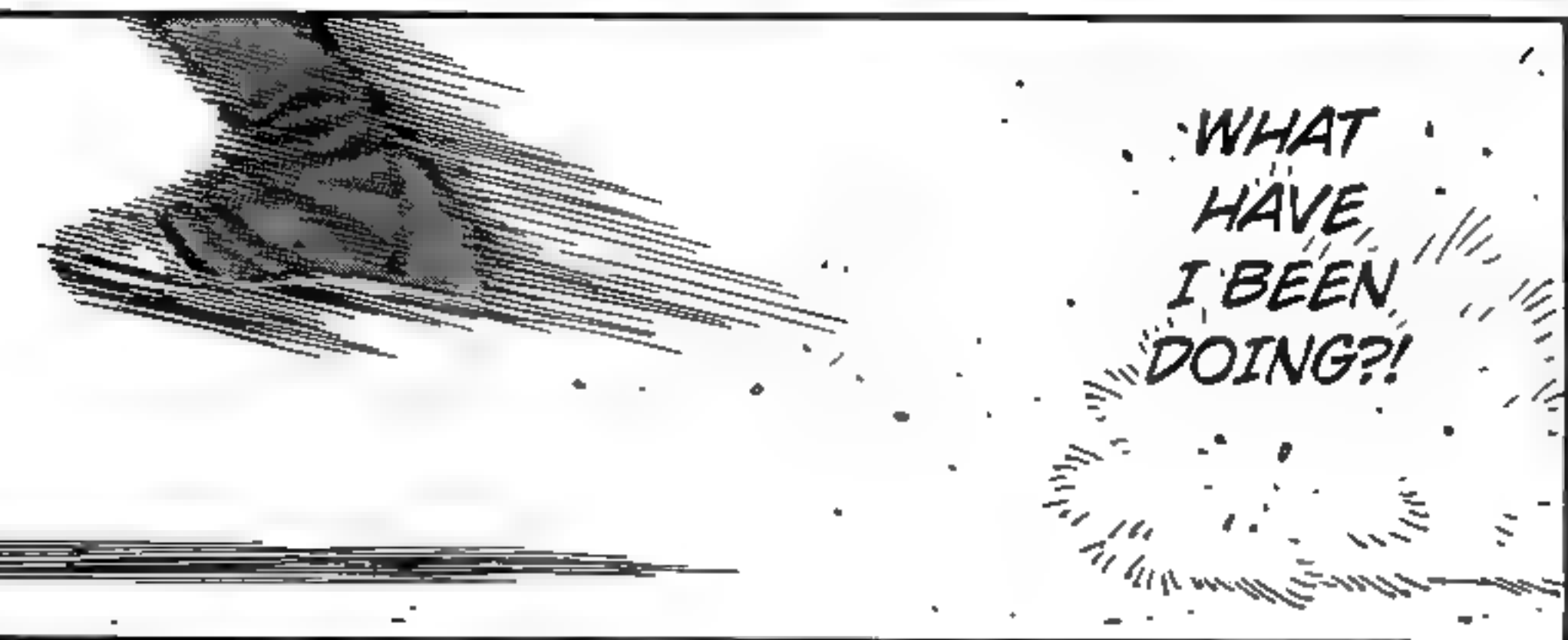
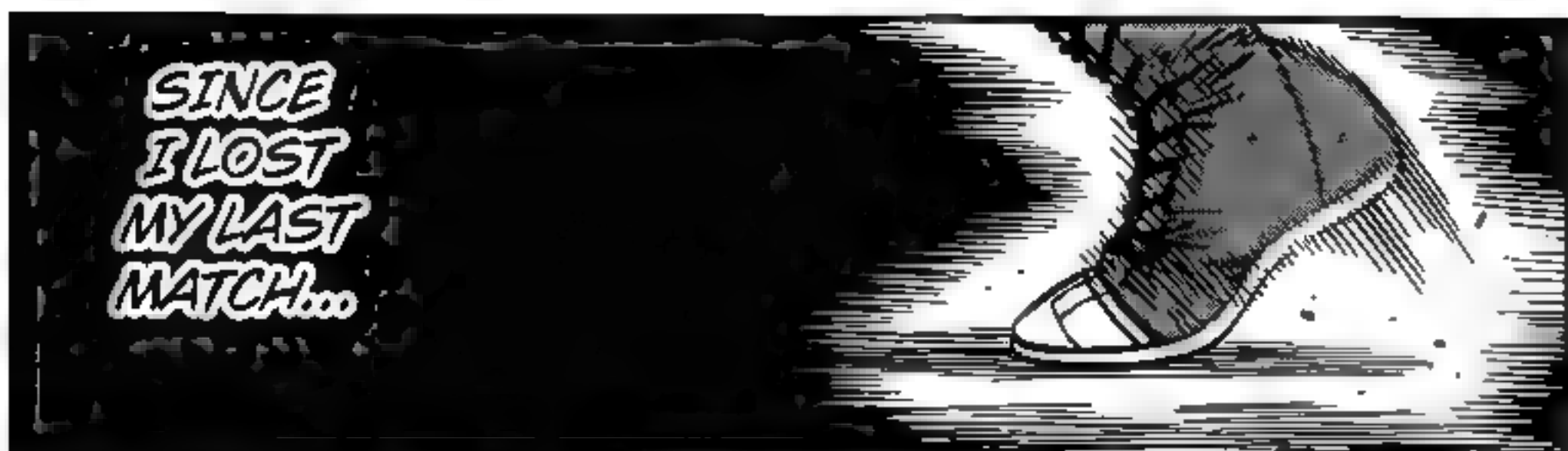
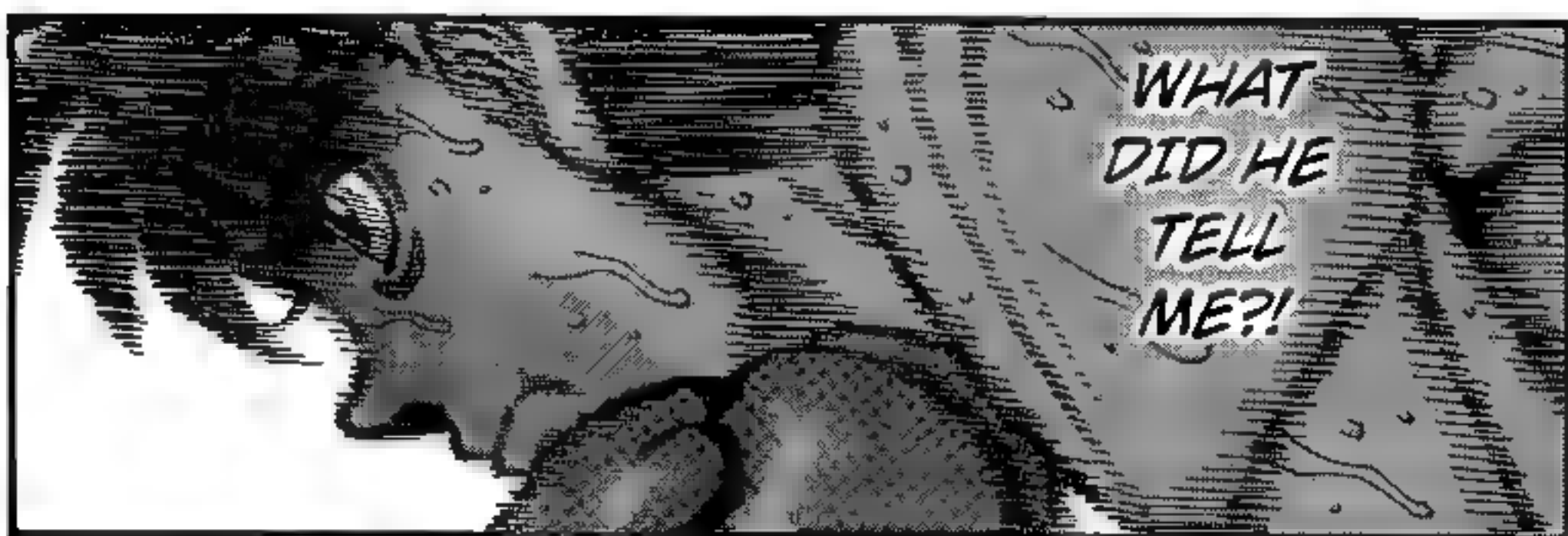
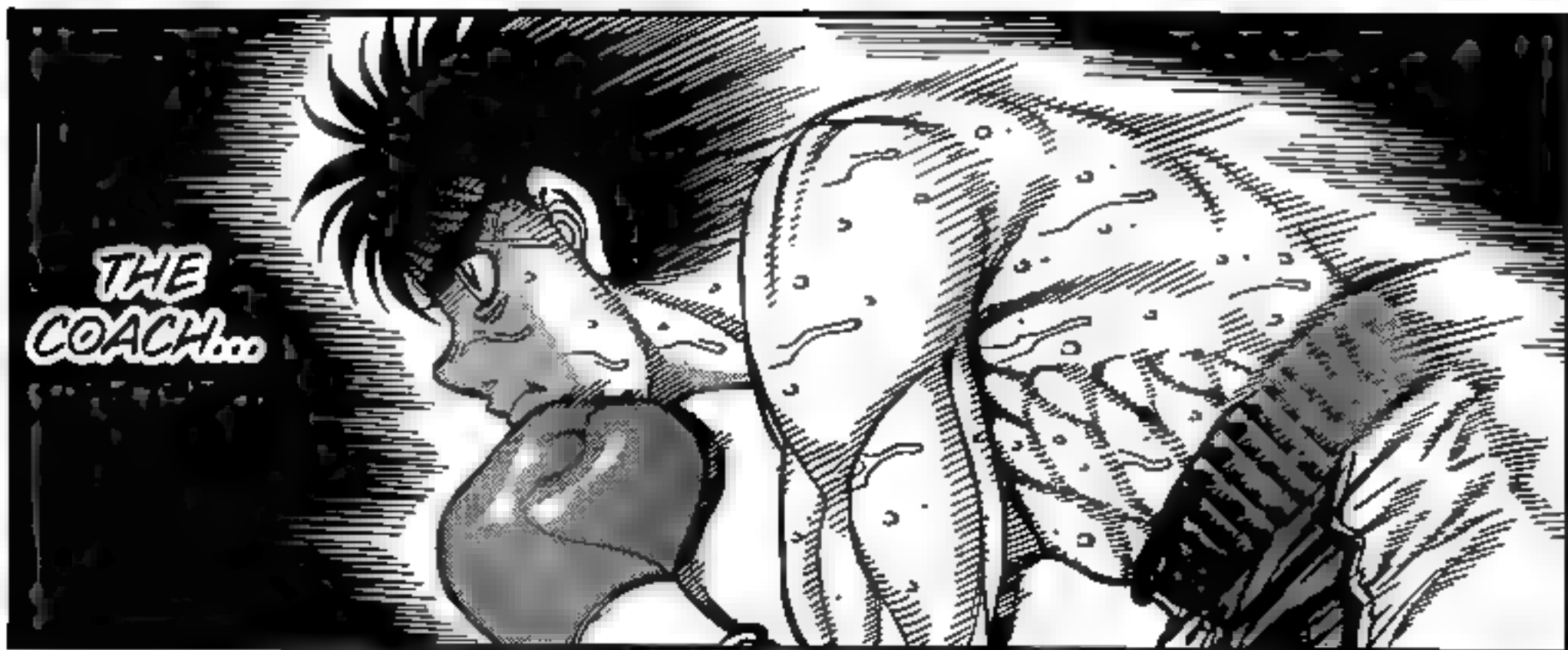
HERE HE  
COMES!!

AT THIS RANGE, WHERE SHADOWS INTERTWINE,  
IS WHERE THE BEAST LURKS...



WITH POWER OVERFLOWING!!





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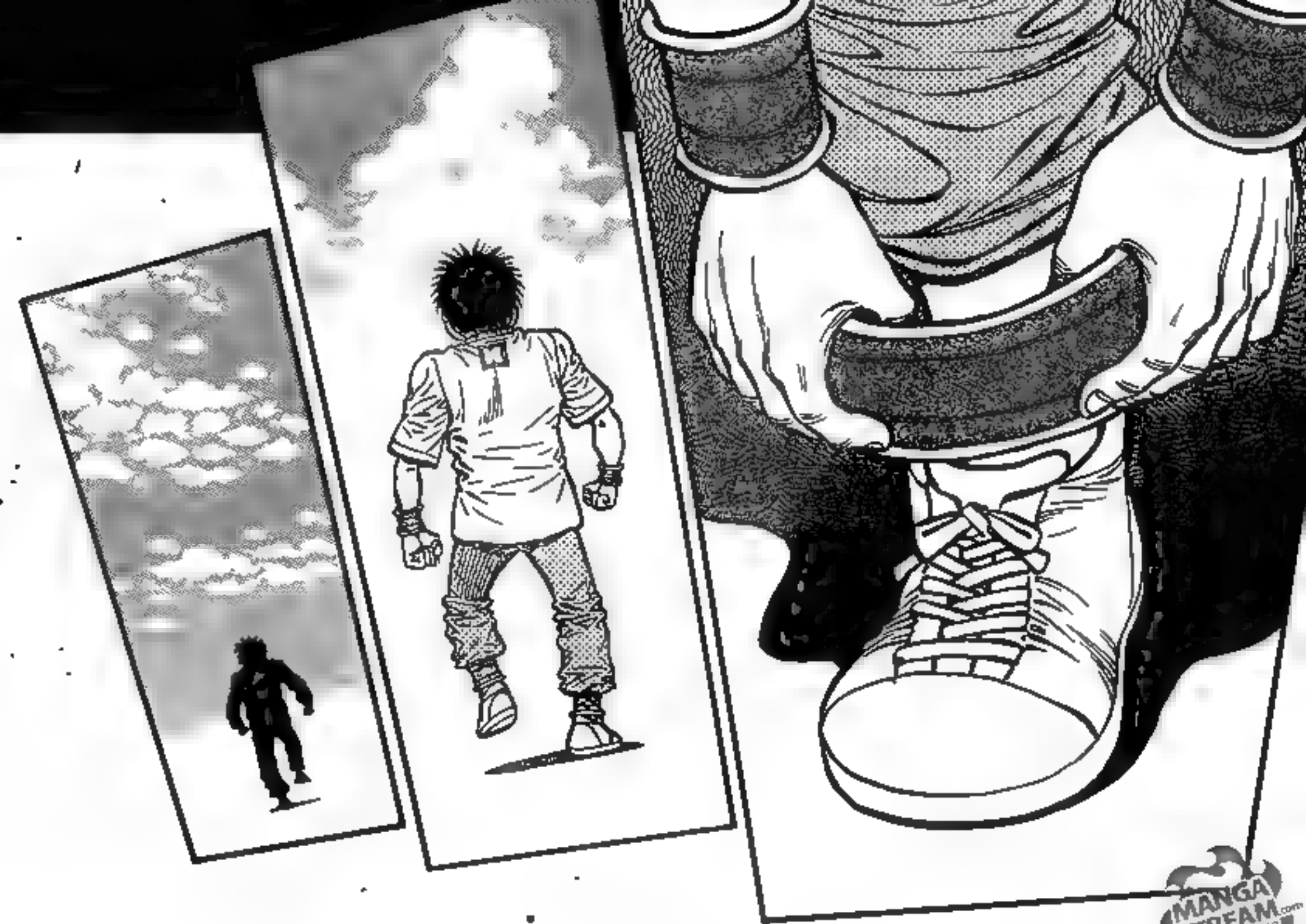
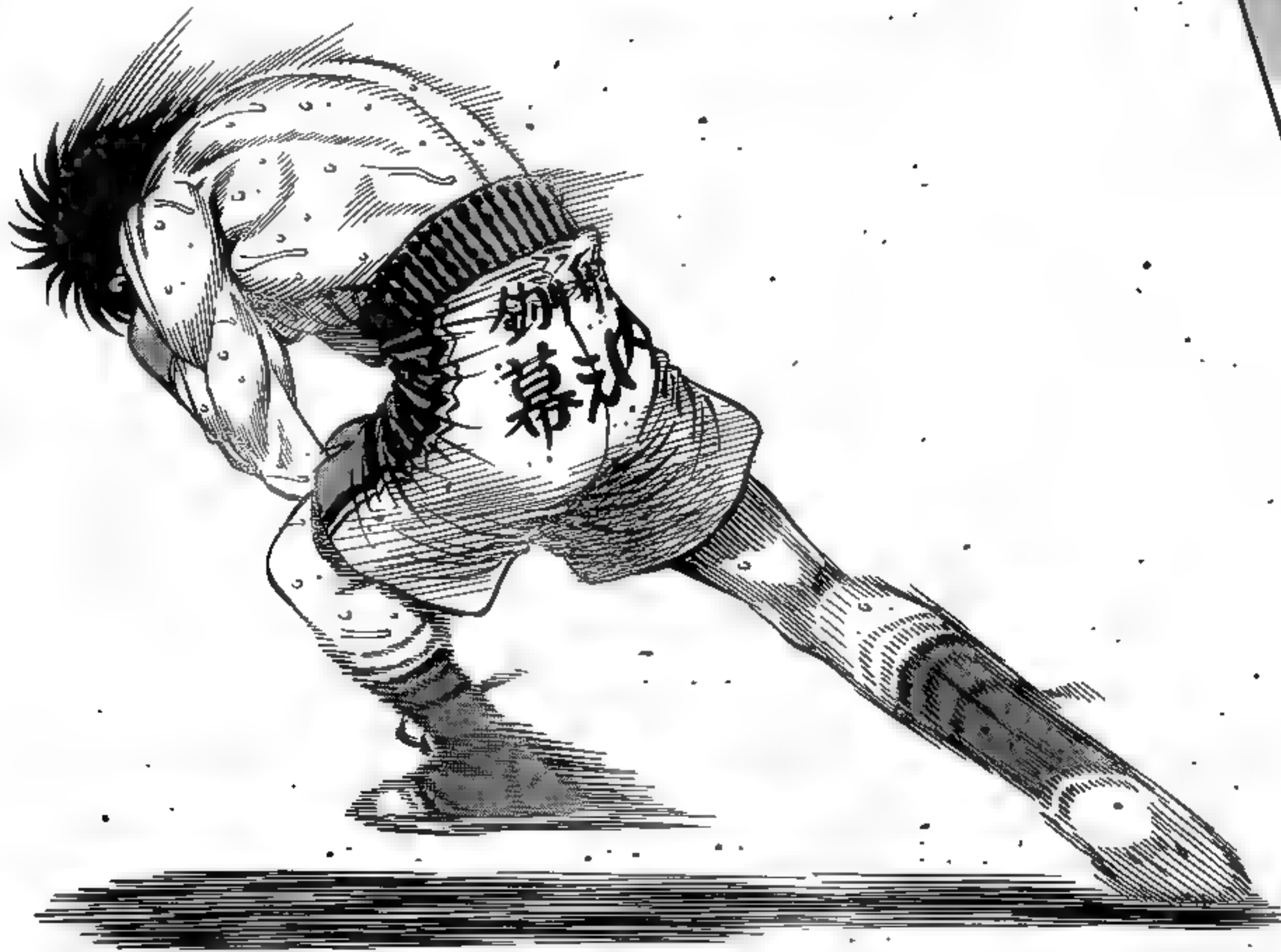


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THE FIGHTING!

IT'S ALL LED UP TO THIS...

GEORGE MORIKAWA



MANGA  
STREAM  
DO NOT MIRROR

ONWARD! NO HESITATING!!

Round 1181 Charge



I JUST GOTTA  
LAND THIS LEFT  
STRAIGHT WHEN  
HE CHARGES  
IN...

EVEN IF I HIT  
HIS GUARD, I'LL  
PUT HIM ON THE  
DEFENSIVE AFTER  
HE KNOWS I CAN  
DO THIS.

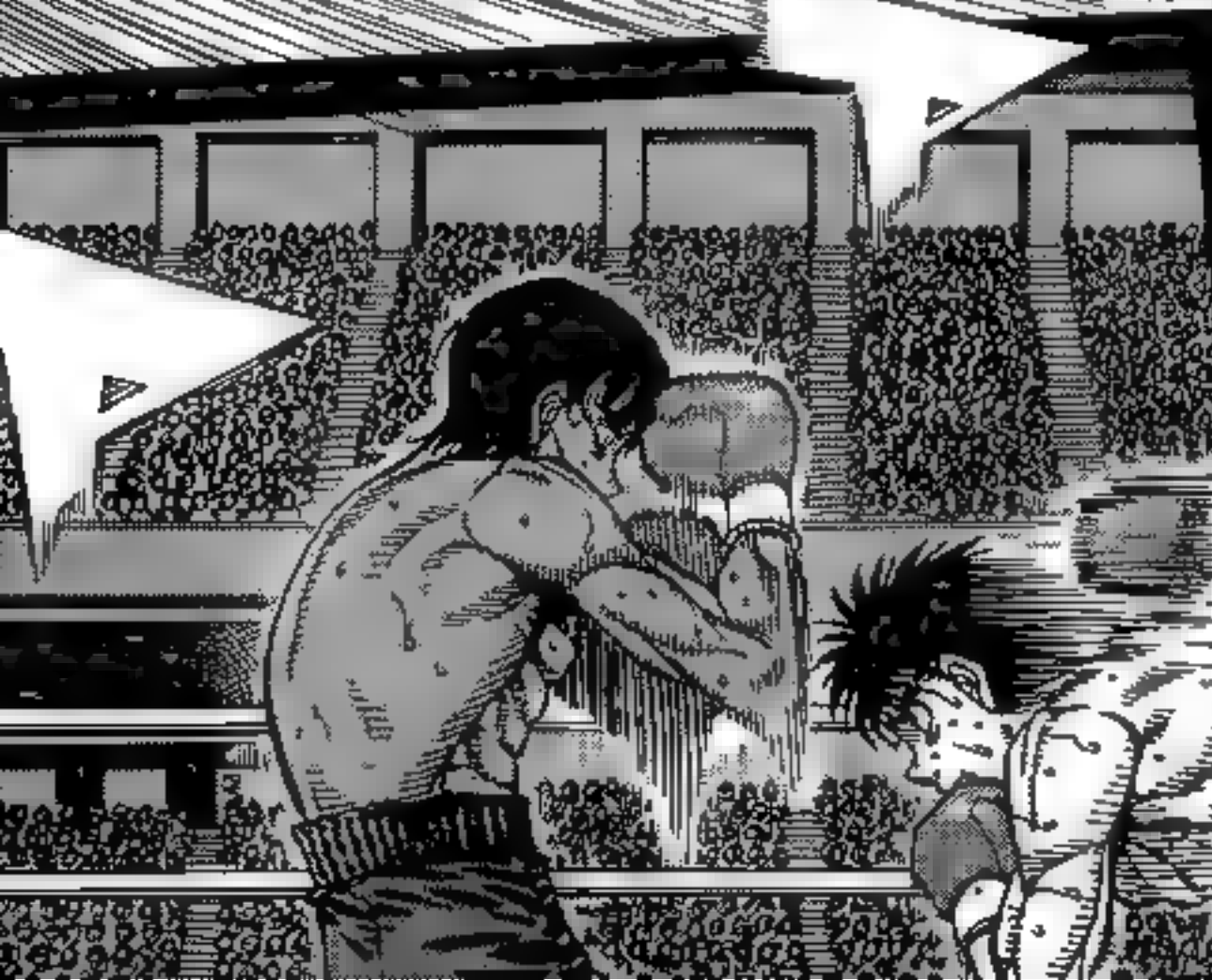
HERE  
WE GO!



WHAT  
WAS I  
TOLD?!

WHAT  
HAVE I  
DONE?

GO FAST!







HERE HE  
COMES AGAIN!



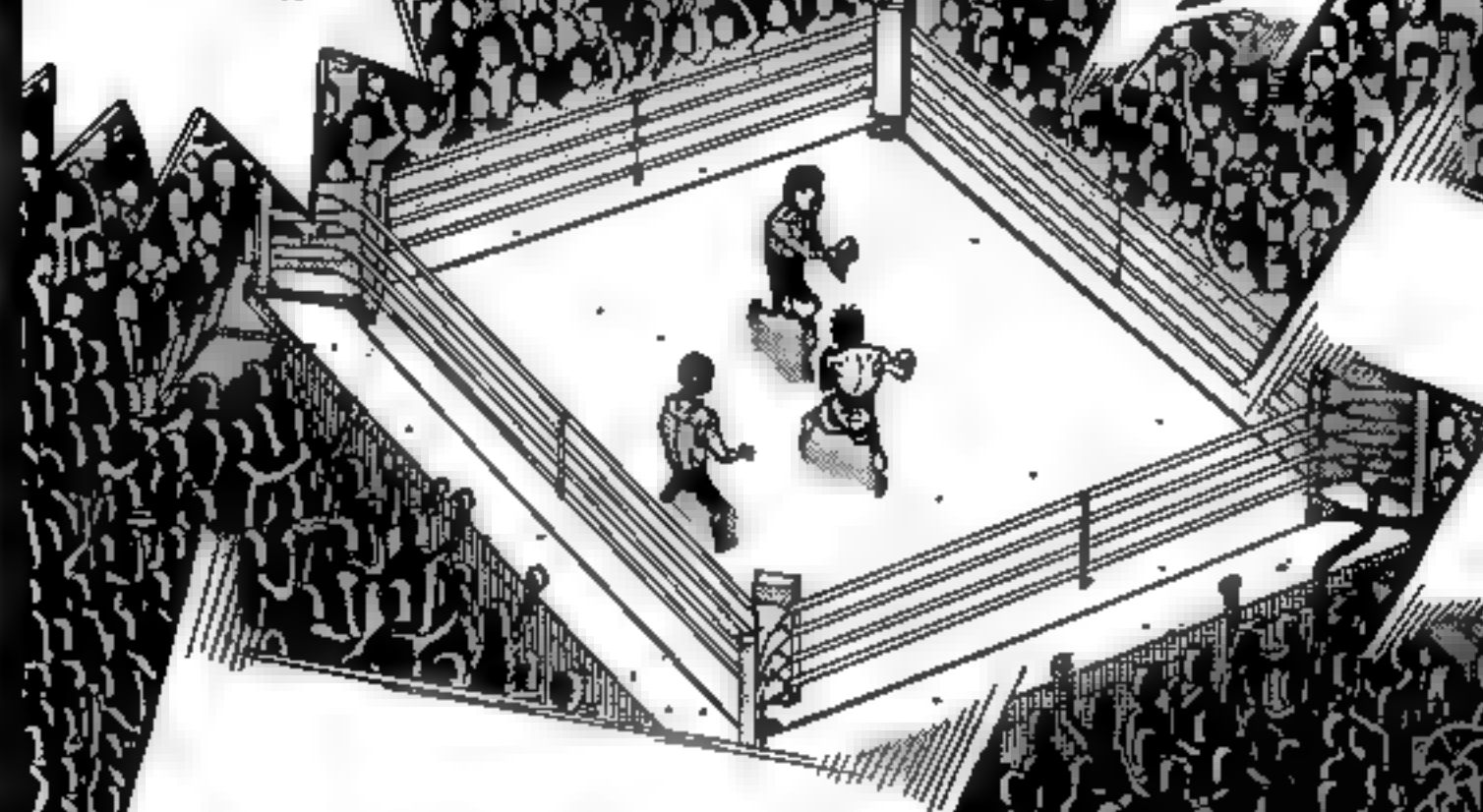
I GOTTA RUN...



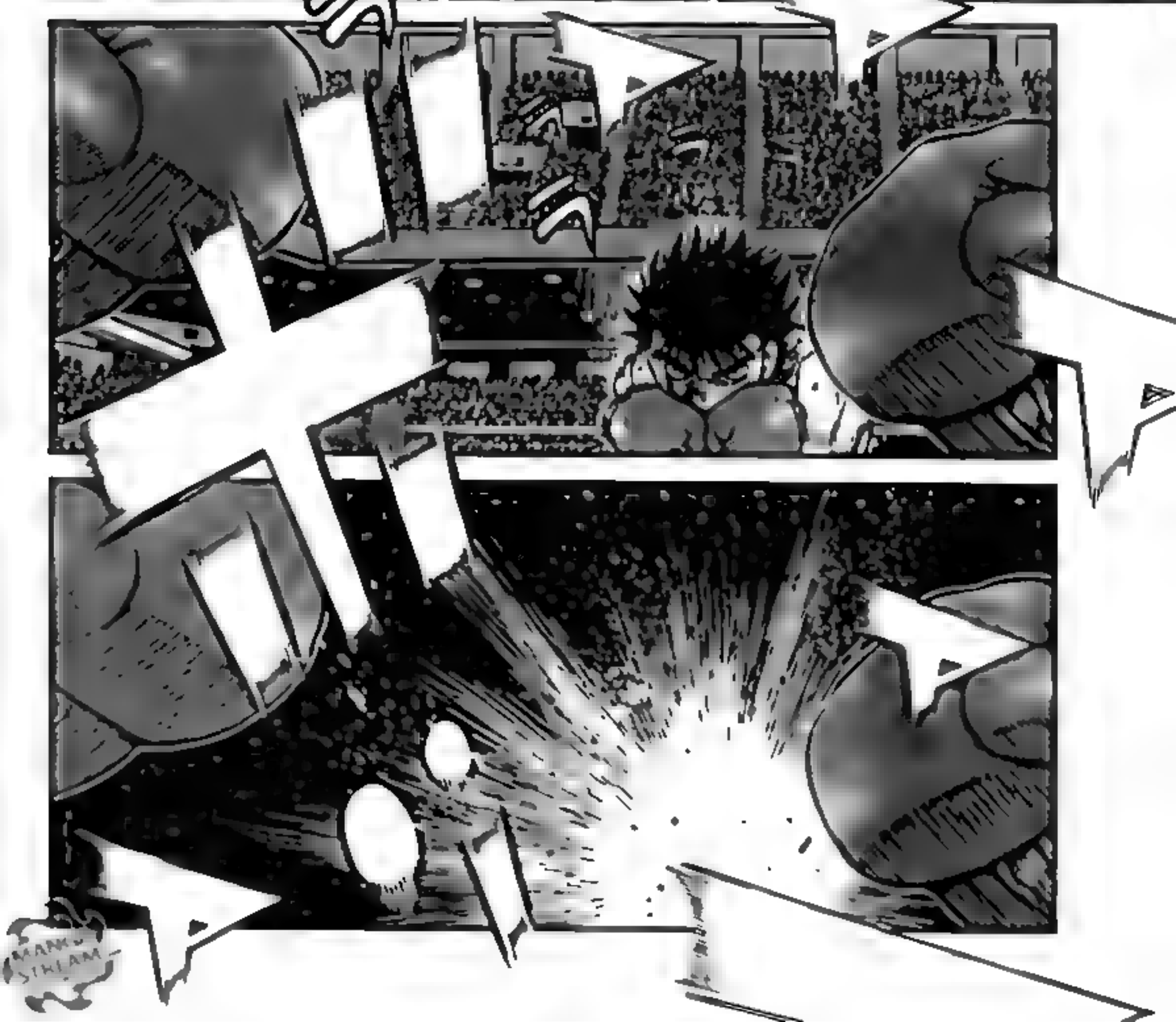
HE'S  
CLEARLY  
HURT!



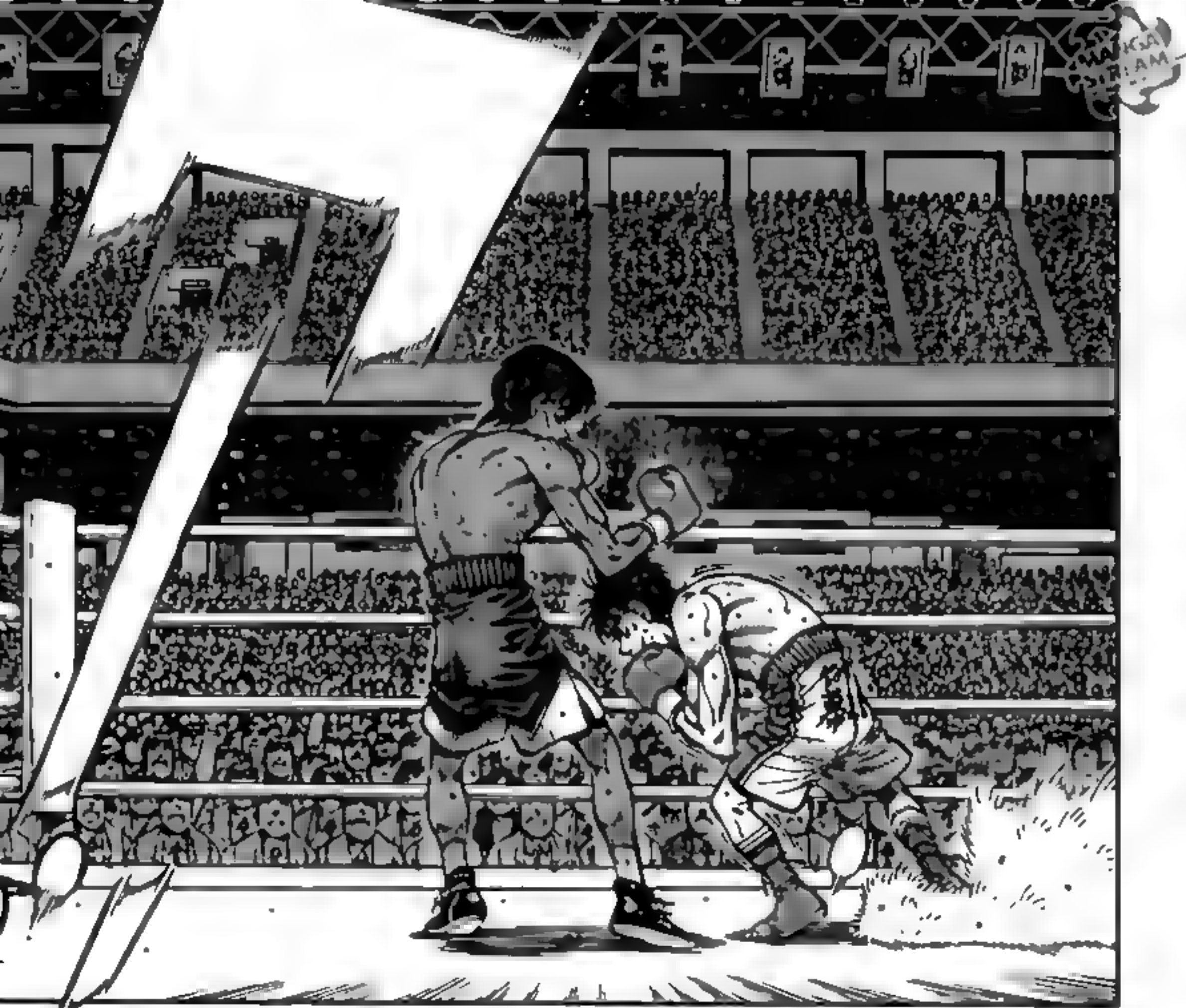
MAKUNOUCHI  
CHANNELS HIS  
DASH RIGHT INTO  
GUEVARA'S SOLAR  
PLEXUS!

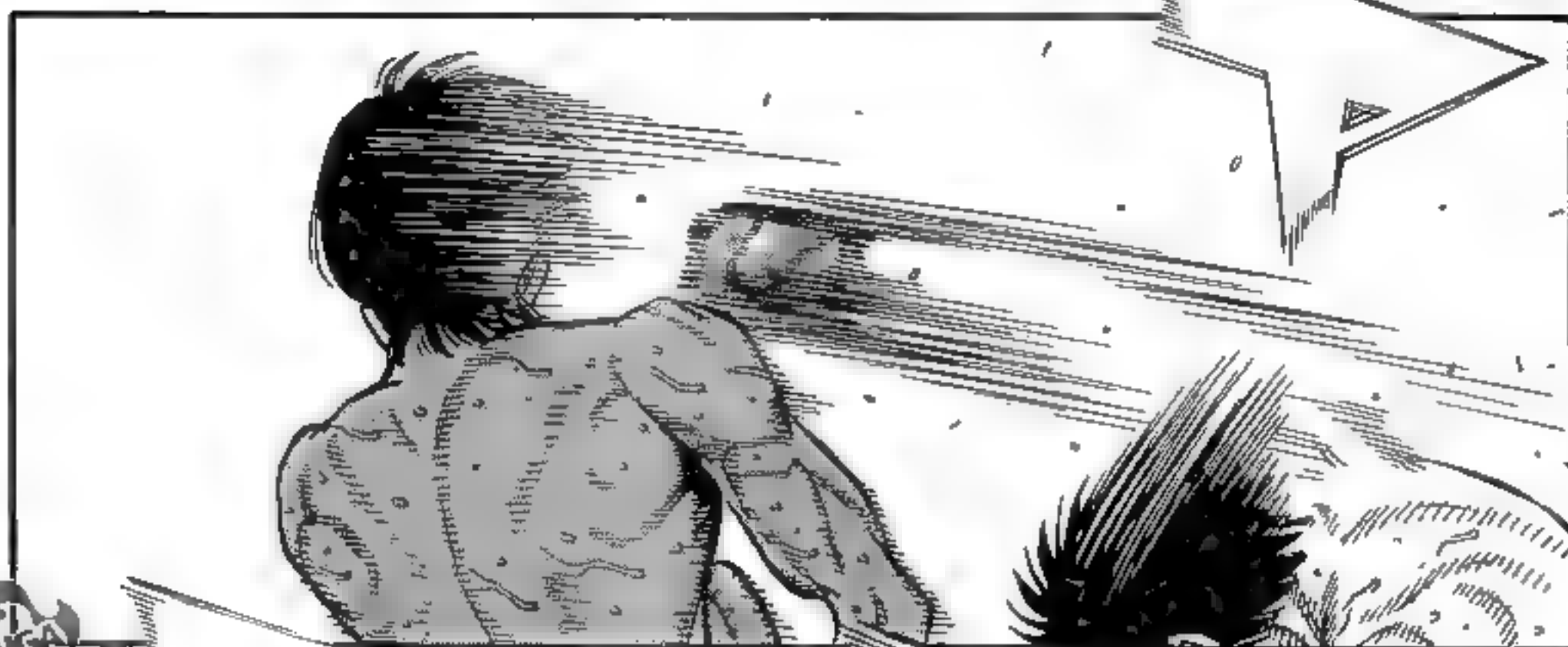


IT'S A  
RIGHT TO  
THE BODY!



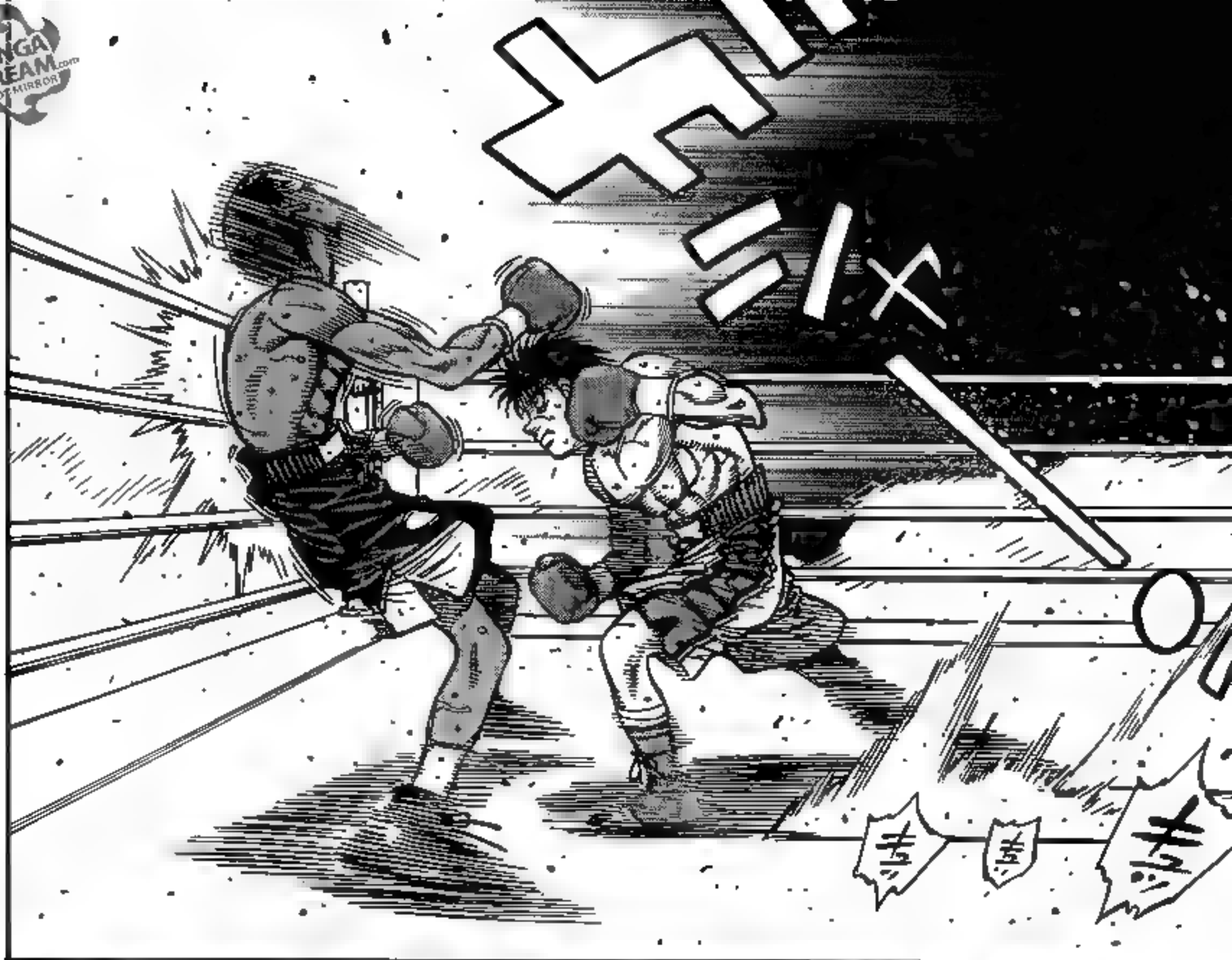




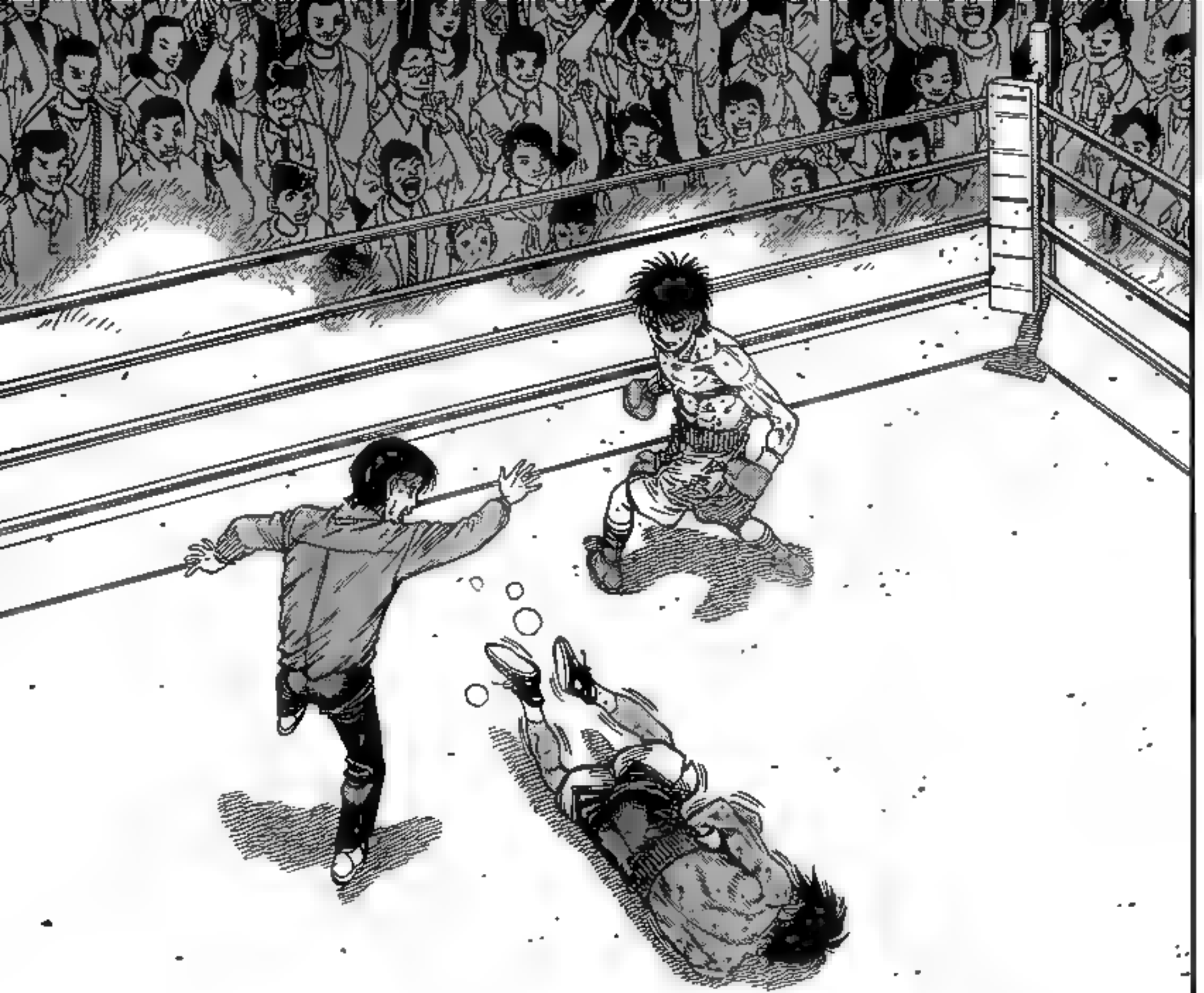












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HE WAS  
SLAMMED  
INTO THE ROPES  
AND SPRUNG  
FORWARD TO  
THE GROUND!

• WHOAAAA,  
AND HE'S  
DOWN!  
A RIGHT  
TO THE  
FACE! .

MANA  
STREAM  
DO NOT MIRRO



MAKU-  
NOUCHI  
IPPO IS  
REALLY  
BACK!

HE'S  
BACK!



DID YOU  
SEE HOW  
HE FELL?!

THAT WAS  
INTENSE!



THAT'S  
MAKU-  
NOUCHI  
FOR  
YOU!

BUT...



DUDE'S  
BITIN' MY  
STYLE.



WELL,  
THERE'S THE  
RESULT.



IIMURA DID  
SAY HE'D BEEN  
TRAINING  
WITH WRIST  
AND ANKLE  
WEIGHTS.





はじめての  
THE FIGHTING!

GEORGE MORIKAWA

STRUCK  
DOWN THE  
MOMENT HE'S  
WITHIN  
REACH!

HITTING  
LIKE A  
STORM  
ITSELF!

GUEVARA IS DOWN!  
IPPO'S HEROIC FIRST ROUND...

WHAT  
A TRULY  
EXPLOSIVE  
BLOW!!

QUIT  
YAPPIN',  
HE'S JUST  
RIPPIN'  
ME OFF!

NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONS  
JUST AIN'T  
ENOUGH  
ANYMORE!

W-  
WOW!  
HE PUT 'IM  
DOWN LIKE  
NOTHIN'!

Round 1182 Pursuit

MANGA  
STREAM  
DO NOT MIRROR

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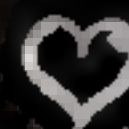
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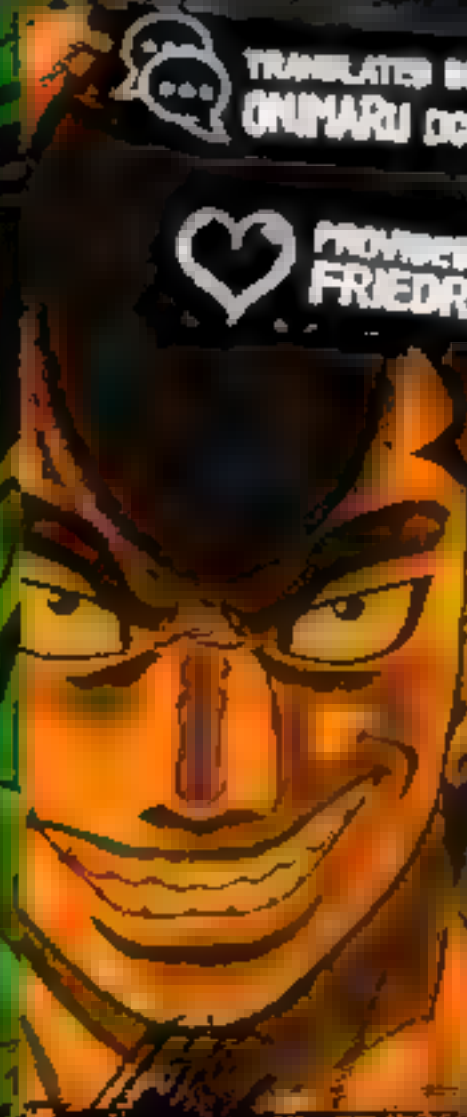
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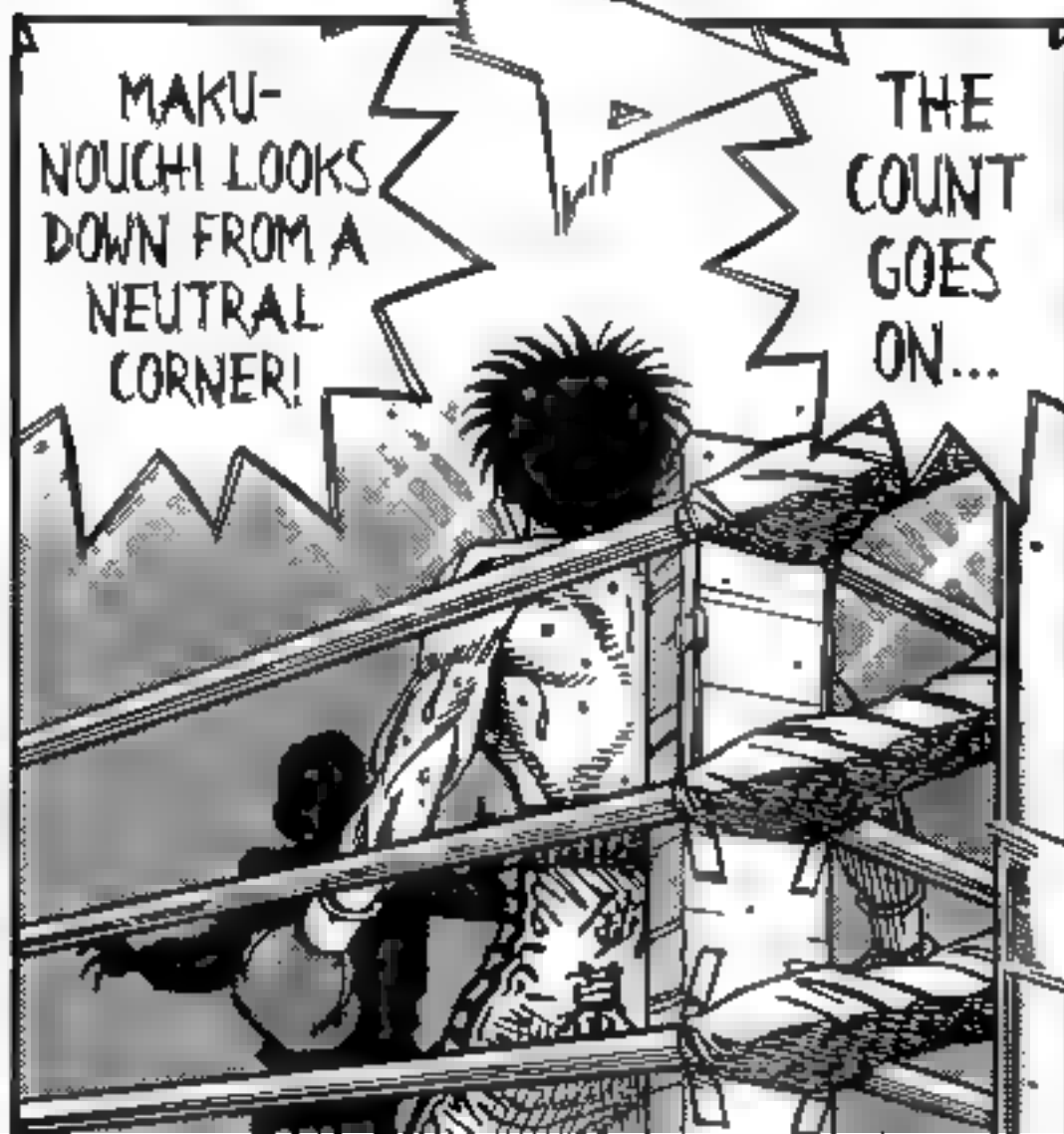


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WILL  
THE WIND GOD  
RETURN WITH  
A ONE ROUND  
KO?!

CAN IT  
POSSIBLY  
BE...?

4!

HE  
CAN'T GET  
UP AFTER A  
KNOCK DOWN  
LIKE THAT.

AH!

NO  
WAY!

HM...

5!

MANGA  
STREAM  
DO NOT MIRROR





SO WHEN  
THE KID'S  
FIST WENT  
AFTER HIM  
AND HIT...

I'LL BET  
GUEVARA  
PULLED BACK  
AS HARD AS  
HE COULD,

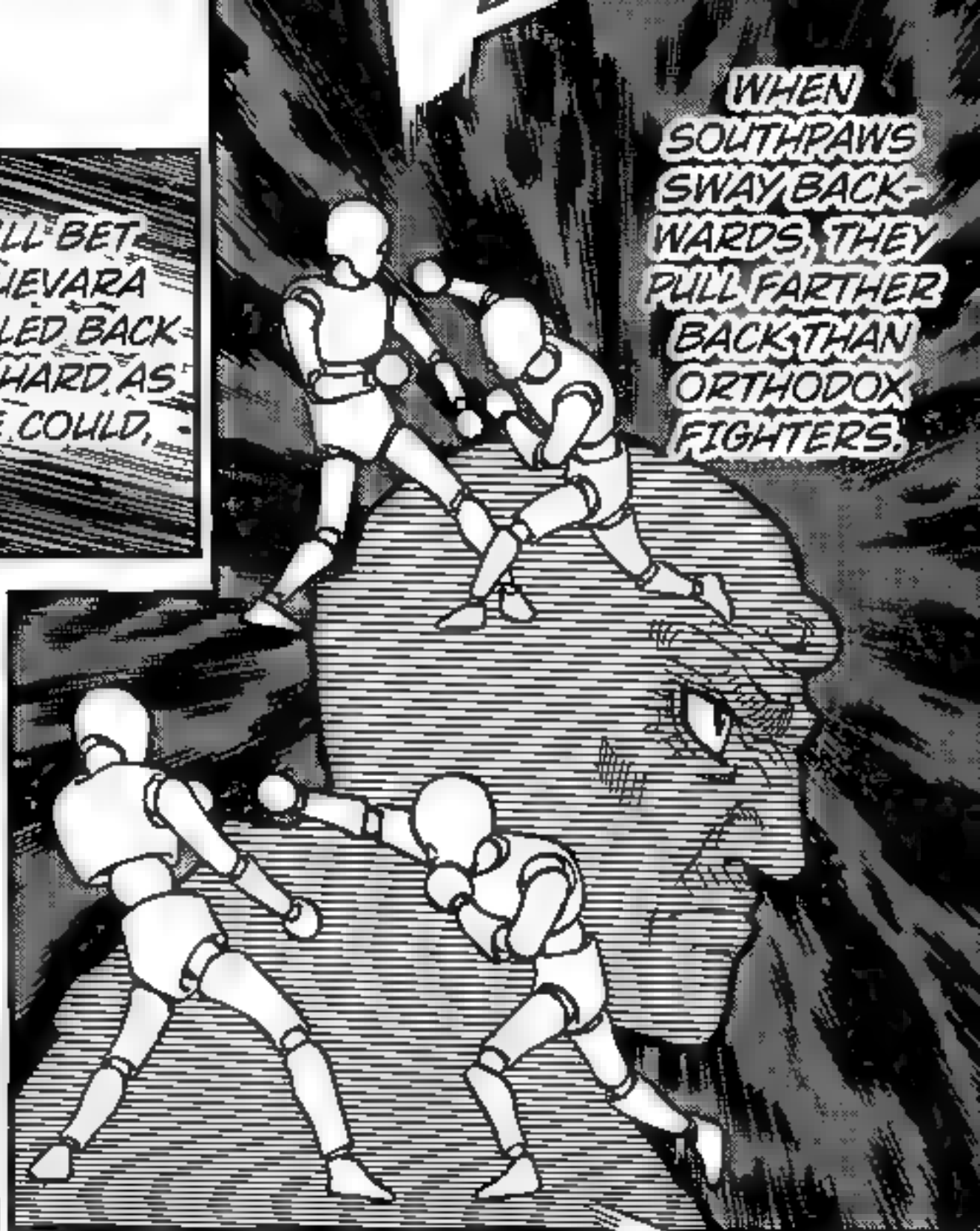


IT DIDN'T  
ACTUALLY  
LAND TOO  
DEEP!



IT'S  
LIKELY  
HE ISN'T  
HURT TOO  
BAD.

HE FELL  
LIKE THAT  
BECAUSE HE  
LEANED BACK  
SO MUCH.



WHEN  
SOUTHPAWS  
SWAY BACK-  
WARDS, THEY  
PULL FARTHER  
BACK THAN  
ORTHODOX  
FIGHTERS.



GET  
READY  
TO JUMP  
INSIDE  
AGAIN!

KEEP  
YOUR  
FOCUS!



KID!



THAT  
ONE DIDN'T  
LAND VERY  
DEEP.

I  
GET  
IT...



**HE'LL  
STAND,  
FOR  
SURE!**

かっ

MM...

**THE NEW  
DEMPSEY?!**

IS HE  
GOING  
FOR  
IT?!

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WHAT A  
SHOCK!

HE'S  
ON HIS  
FEET!

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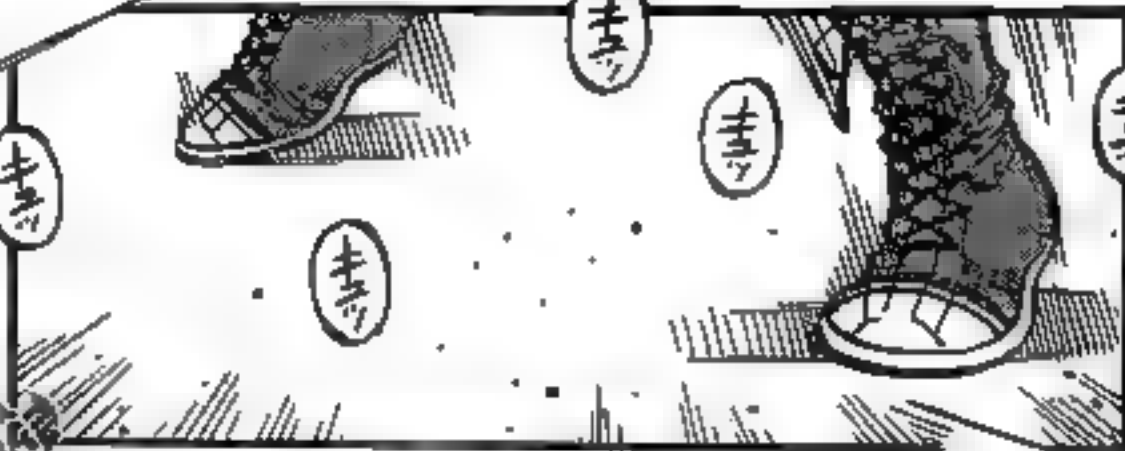
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STREAM  
DO NOT MIRROR

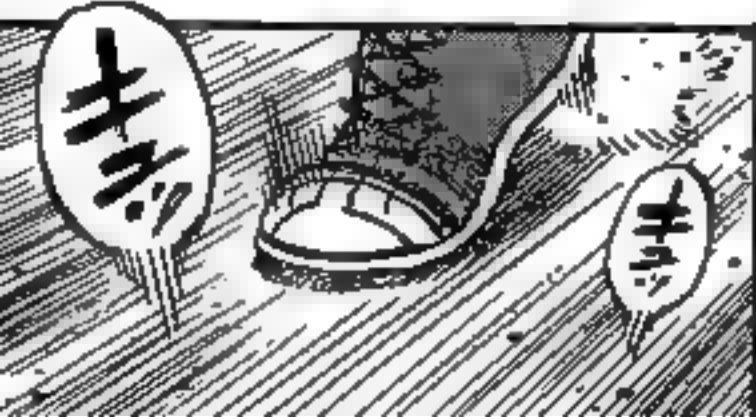
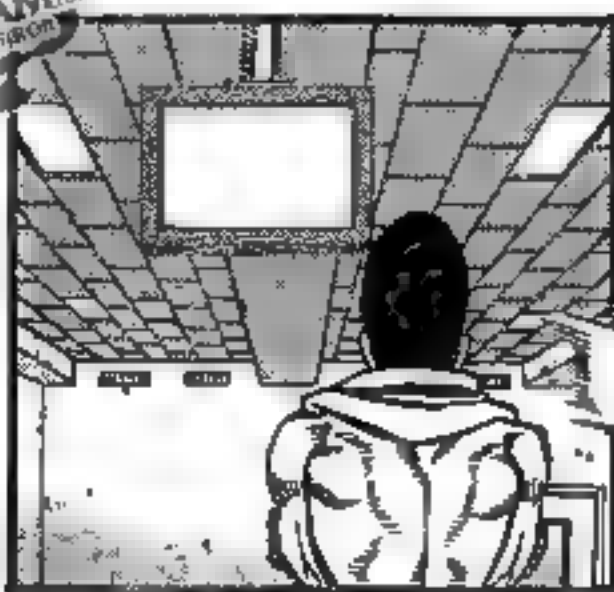
HE  
AIN'T  
DONE  
AFTER  
THAT?!

YOU  
KIDDIN'  
ME?!





MANGA  
STREAM  
DO NOT MIRROR





THE  
FIGHT IS  
ON!

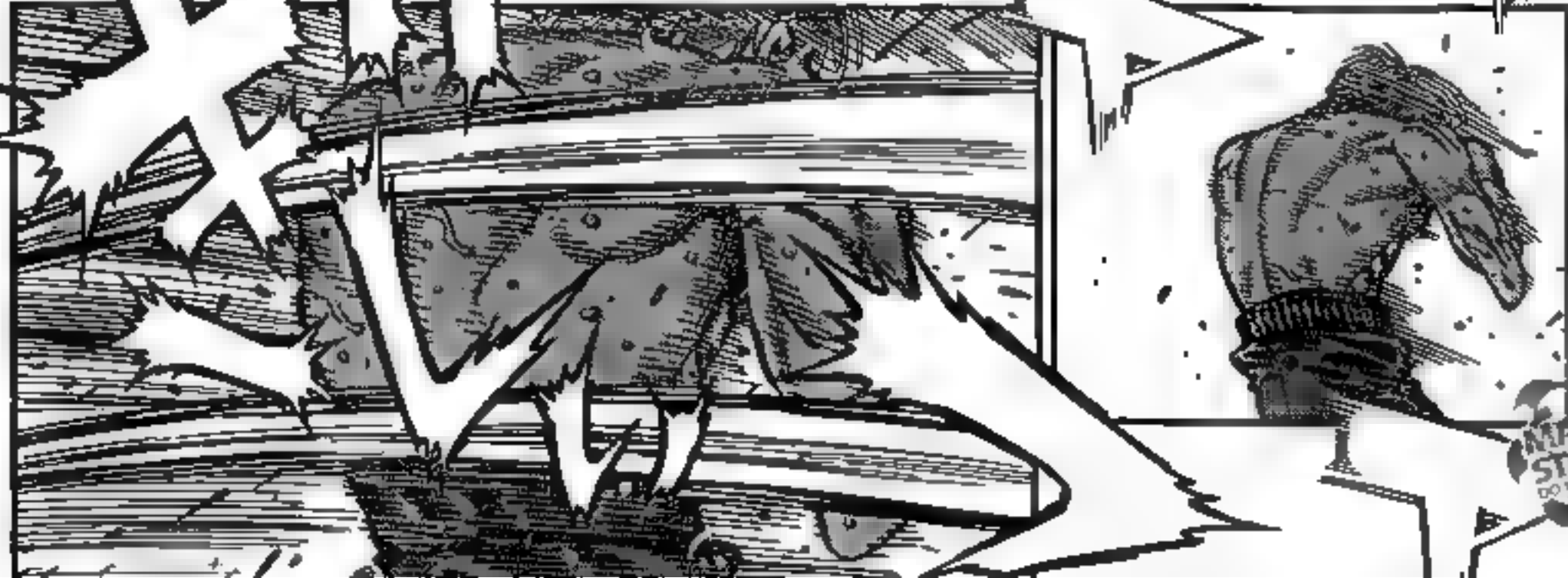
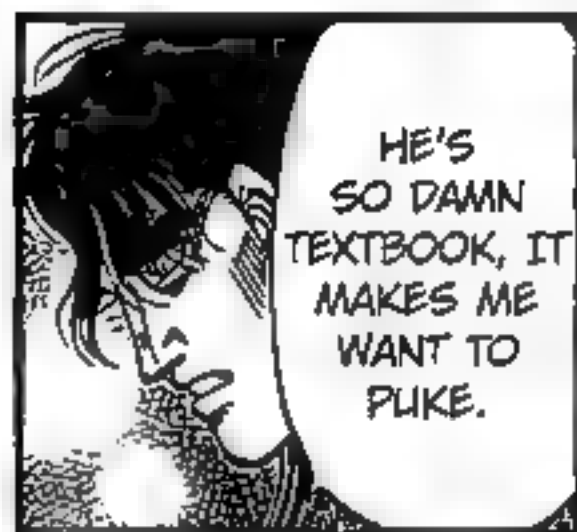
MAKUNOUCHI  
LAUNCHES FROM  
THE CORNER LIKE  
A CANNON-  
BALL!

USE  
YOUR  
JABS!

KEEP HIM  
AWAY WITH  
RIGHTS!









HE'S ON  
THE ROPES  
NOW!



STAY  
FOCUSED  
OUT  
THERE!



LAST TIME HE  
CHASED SOMEONE  
TO THE ROPES HE  
WAS COUNTERED  
AND KICKED  
OUT OF THE



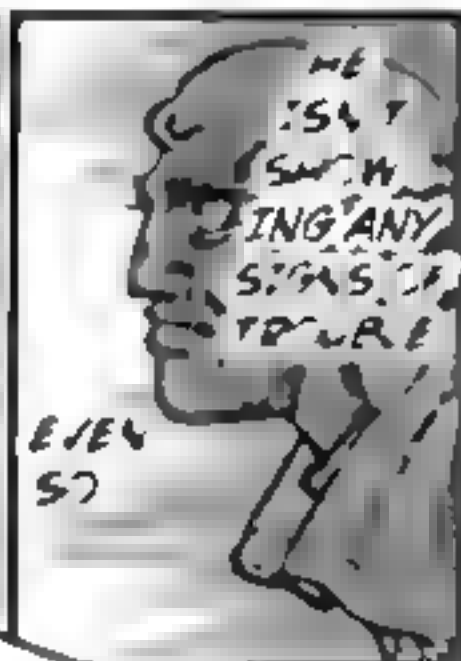
AH...



THIS  
OPPONENT  
IS STILL  
FIGHTING  
BACK.



I WON'T  
LET IT END  
LIKE THIS!



EVEN  
SO

HE  
ISN'T  
SHOWING ANY  
SIGNS OF  
TIRE



**THE  
HARBINGER OF A  
STORM UNLIKE  
ANY SEEN  
BEFORE!!**



**IT HAPPENED  
SO SUDDENLY...**



# はじめの THE FIGHTING! 次

**WE APOLOGIZE FOR OUR INTERRUPTION**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR HAJIME NO IPPO. WE HAD EVERY INTENTION OF PUBLISHING THIS WEEK'S CHAPTER AS USUAL, BUT SADLY, DUE TO SUDDEN AND UNFORESEEN HEALTH ISSUES, GEORGE MORIKAWA FOUND HIMSELF UNABLE TO COMPLETE IT. WE ARE WELL AWARE OF HOW MUCH OUR READERS WERE LOOKING FORWARD FOR THE NEXT CHAPTER, AND CAN ONLY OFFER OUR MOST HEARTFELT APOLOGIES.

DUE TO THE UNFORESEEN NATURE OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, IPPO HAS BEEN LISTED AS USUAL IN THE INDEX PAGE; BUT WE COULDN'T GET THE ACTUAL CHAPTER PUBLISHED. AGAIN, WE ARE SORRY.

MORIKAWA IS FOCUSING ON HIS RECOVERY AT THE MOMENT, AND HE'S MAKING EVERY EFFORT SO THAT THE STORY CAN CONTINUE TO BE PUBLISHED BY JUNE 21, IN ISSUE #29 OF OUR MAGAZINE. WE APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

**WEEKLY SHONEN MAGAZINE EDITORIAL STAFF**



BONES  
GRIND!

FLESH  
ROARS!

IS THIS  
THE NEW  
DEMPSEY?!

# はじめる THE FIGHTING! 一歩

GEORGE MORIKAWA

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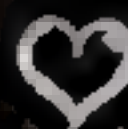
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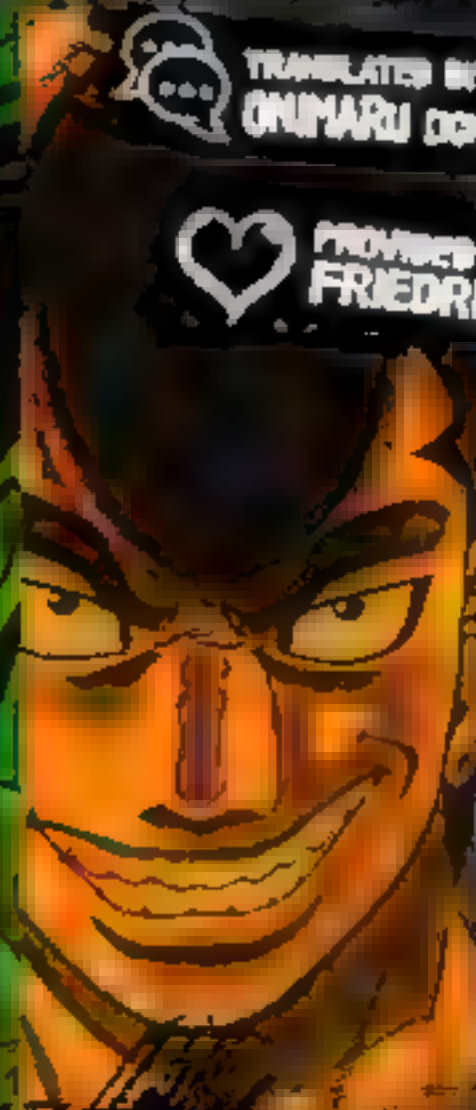
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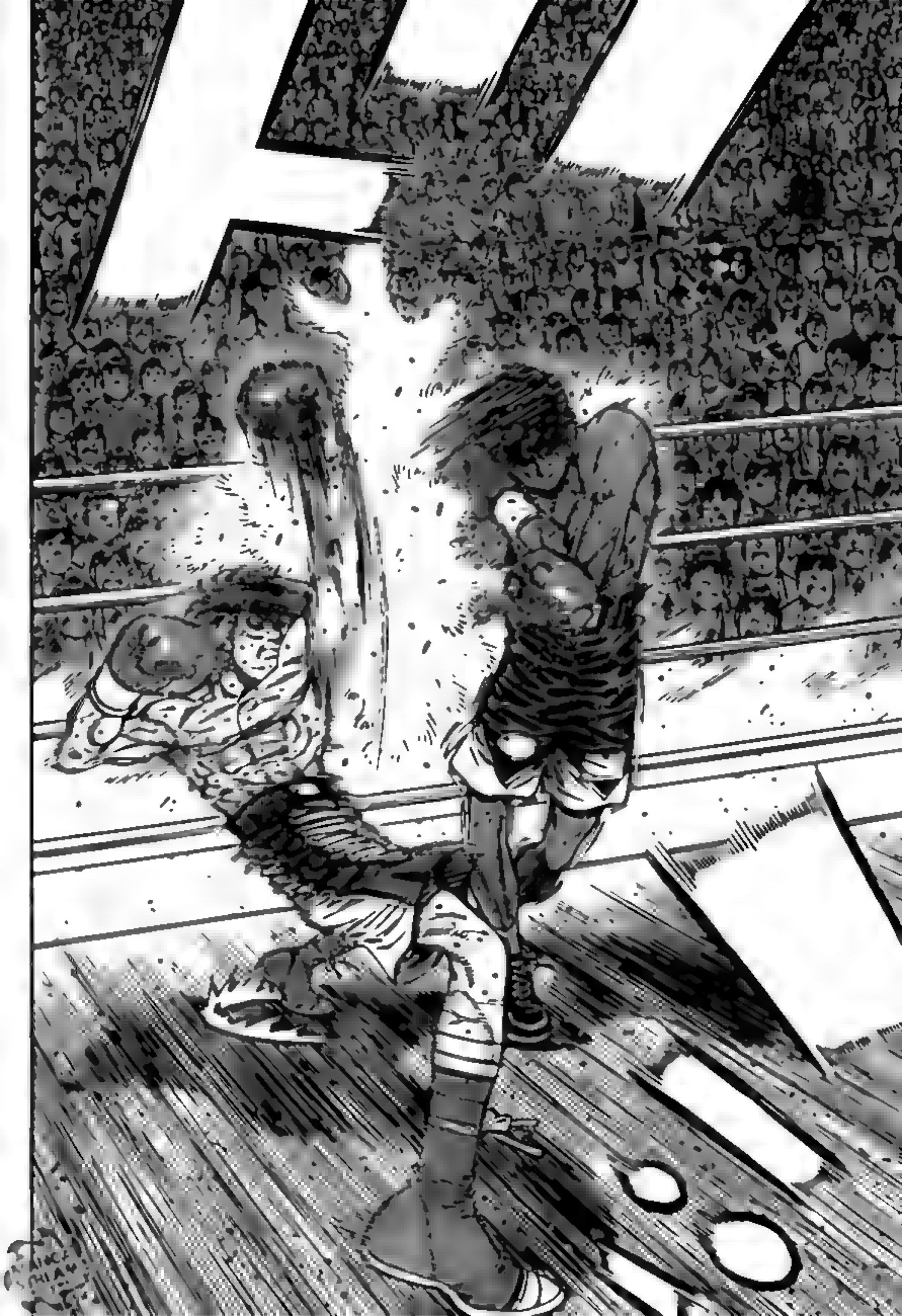
WHAT IN  
THE WORLD  
IS THAT?!

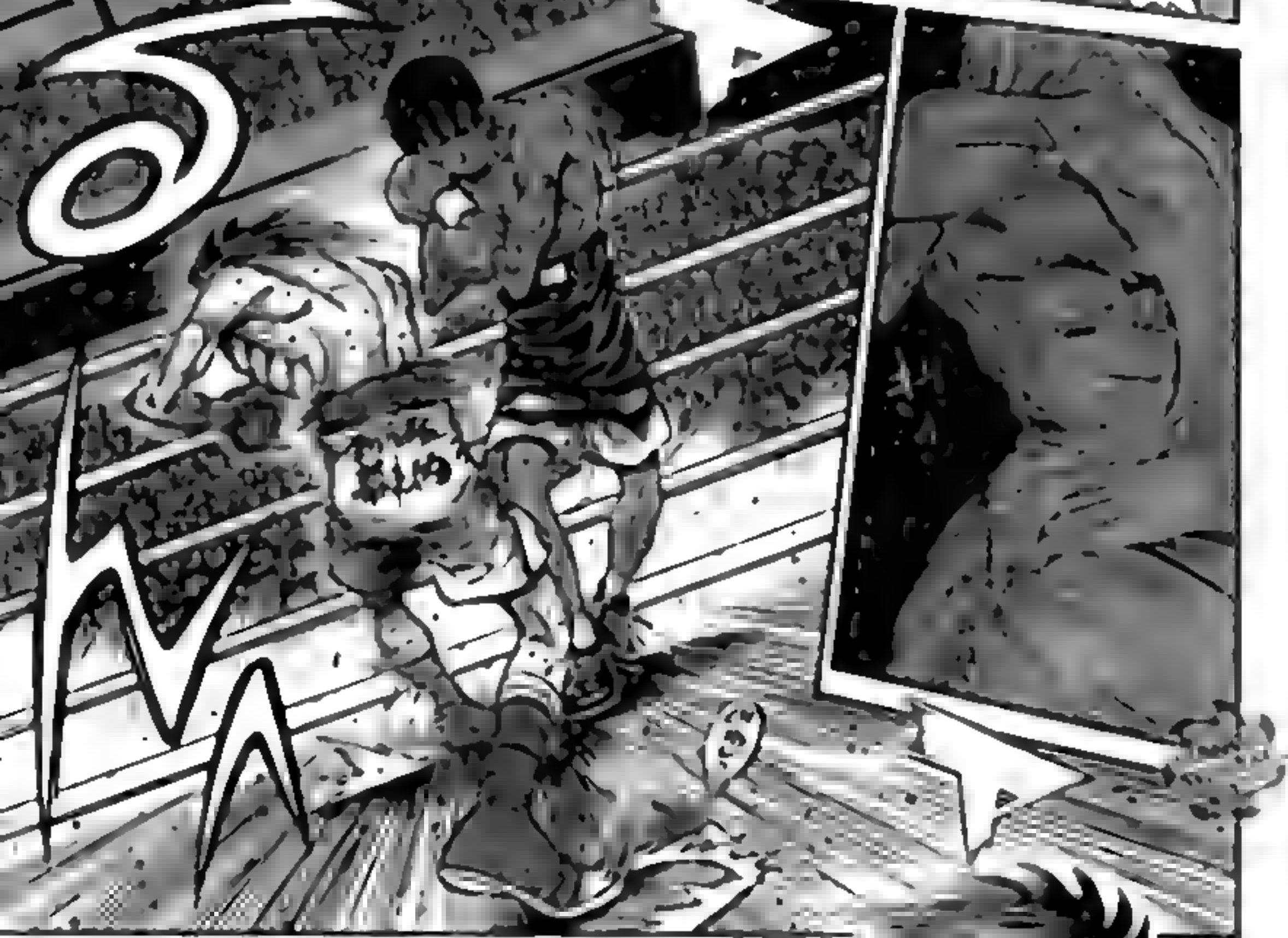
SO LOW...

WHAT IS  
HE DOING?!









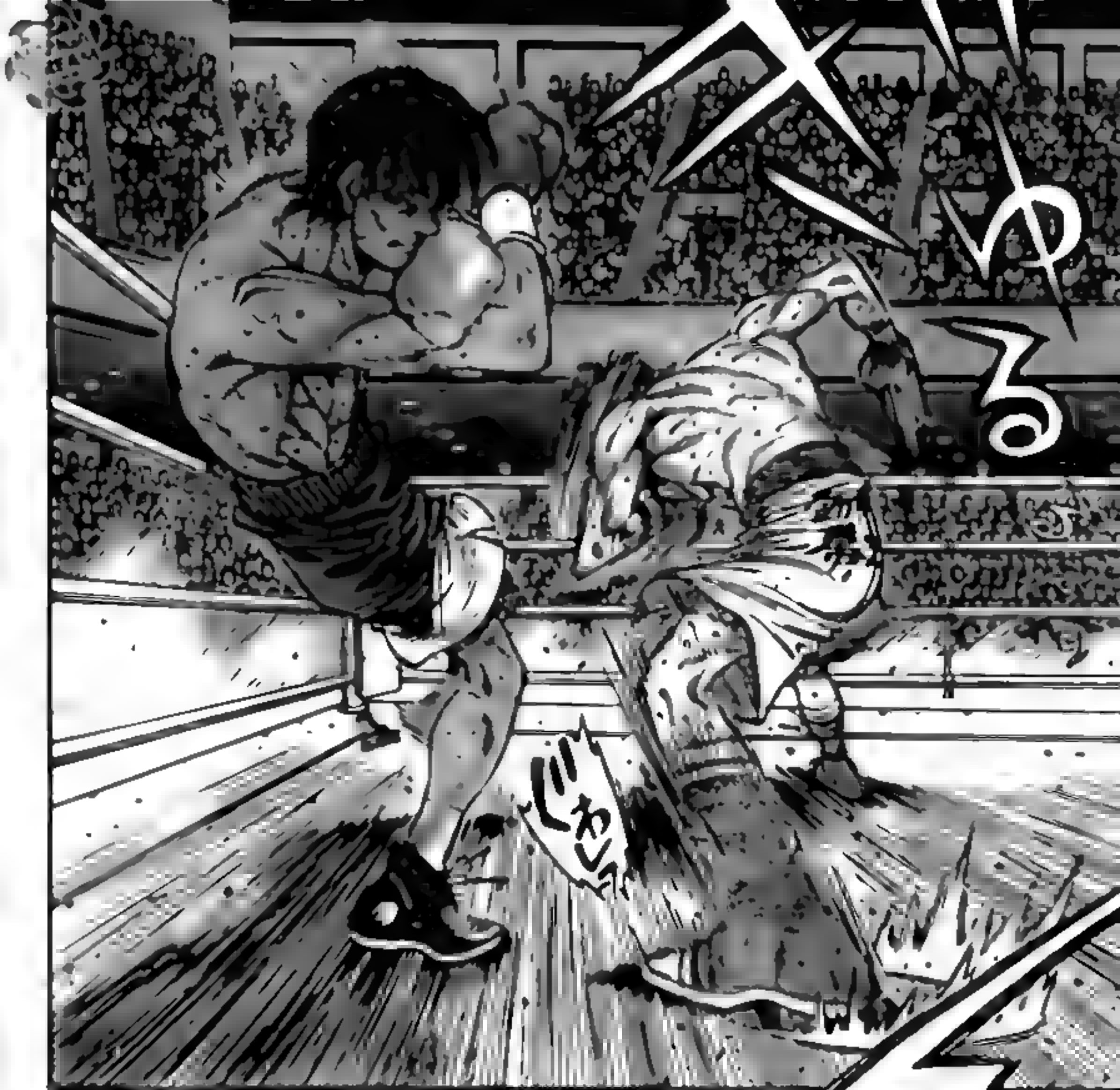


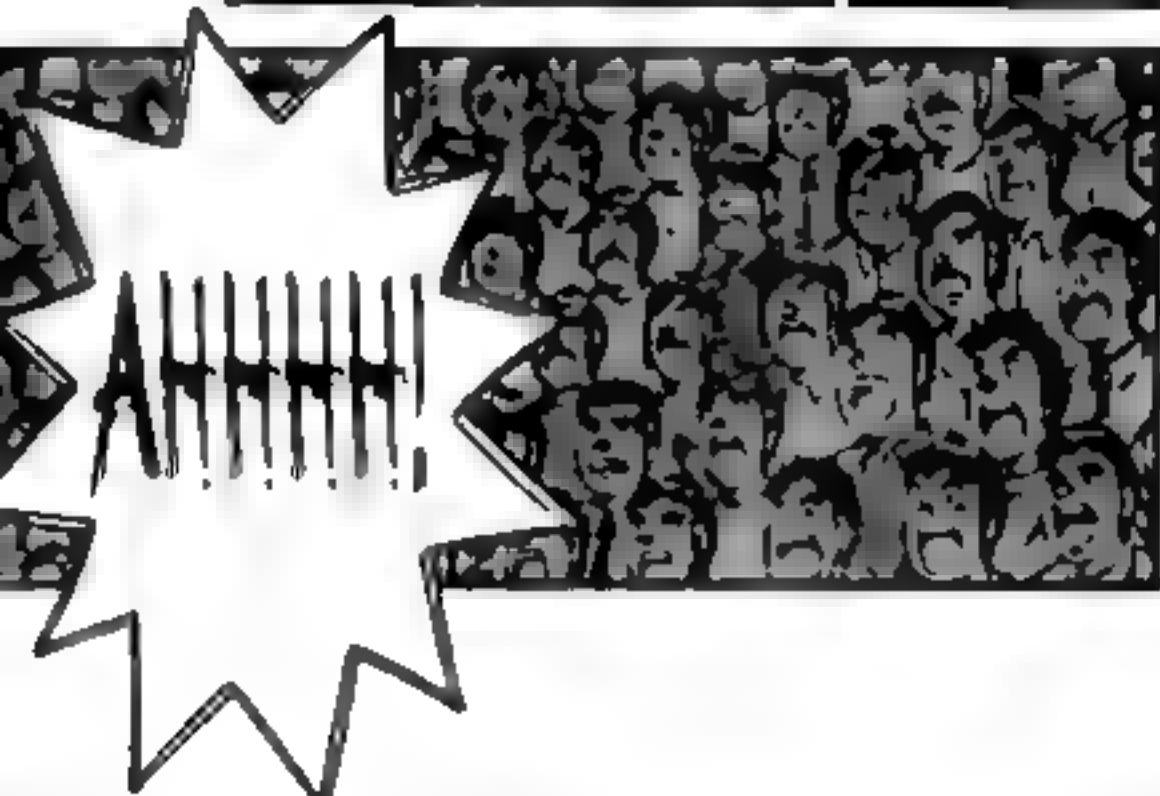


THE  
NEW  
DEMPSEY





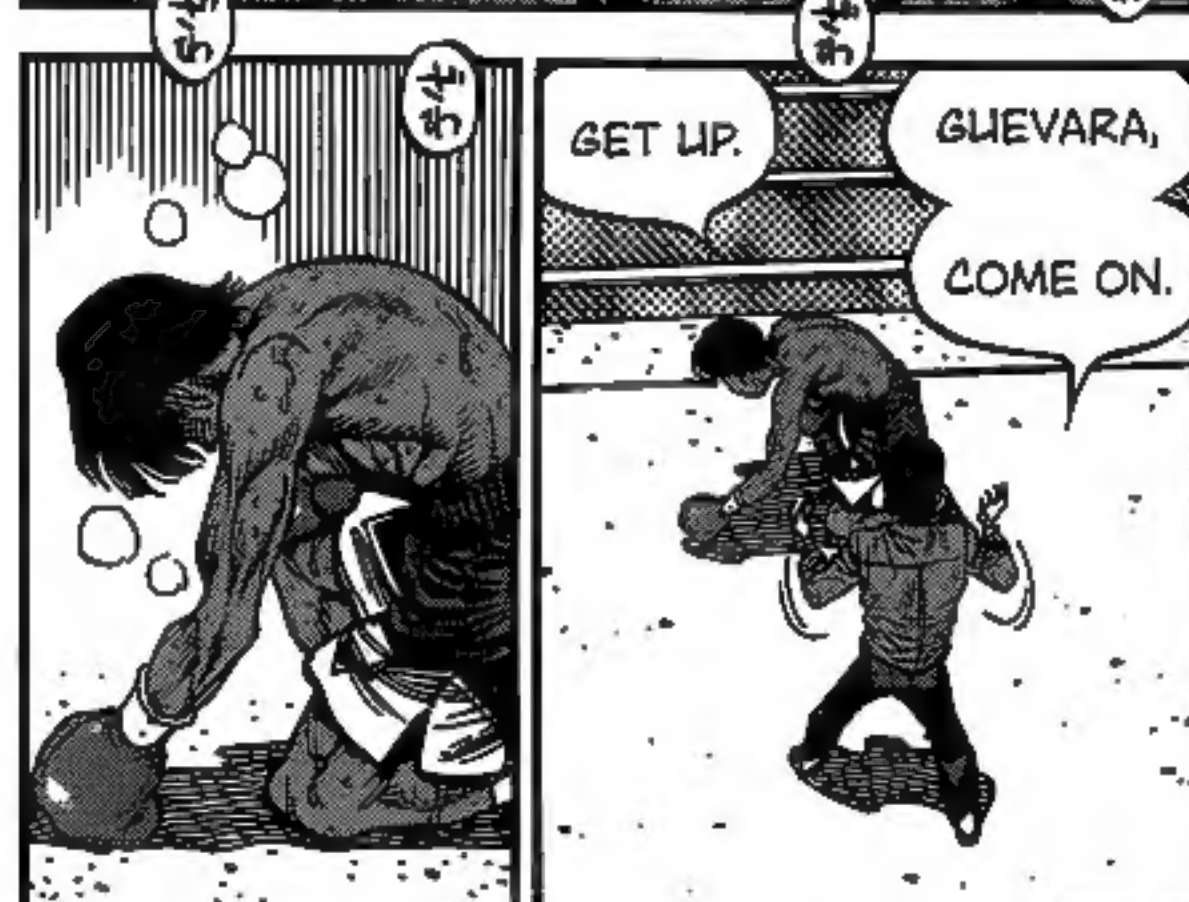
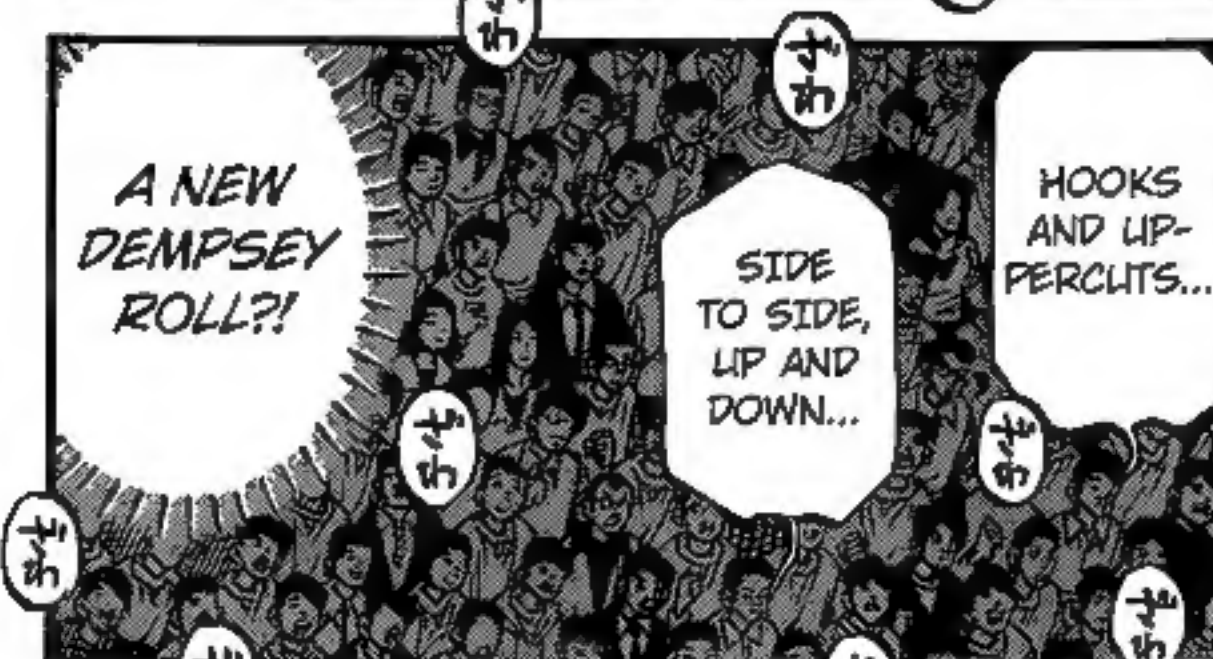
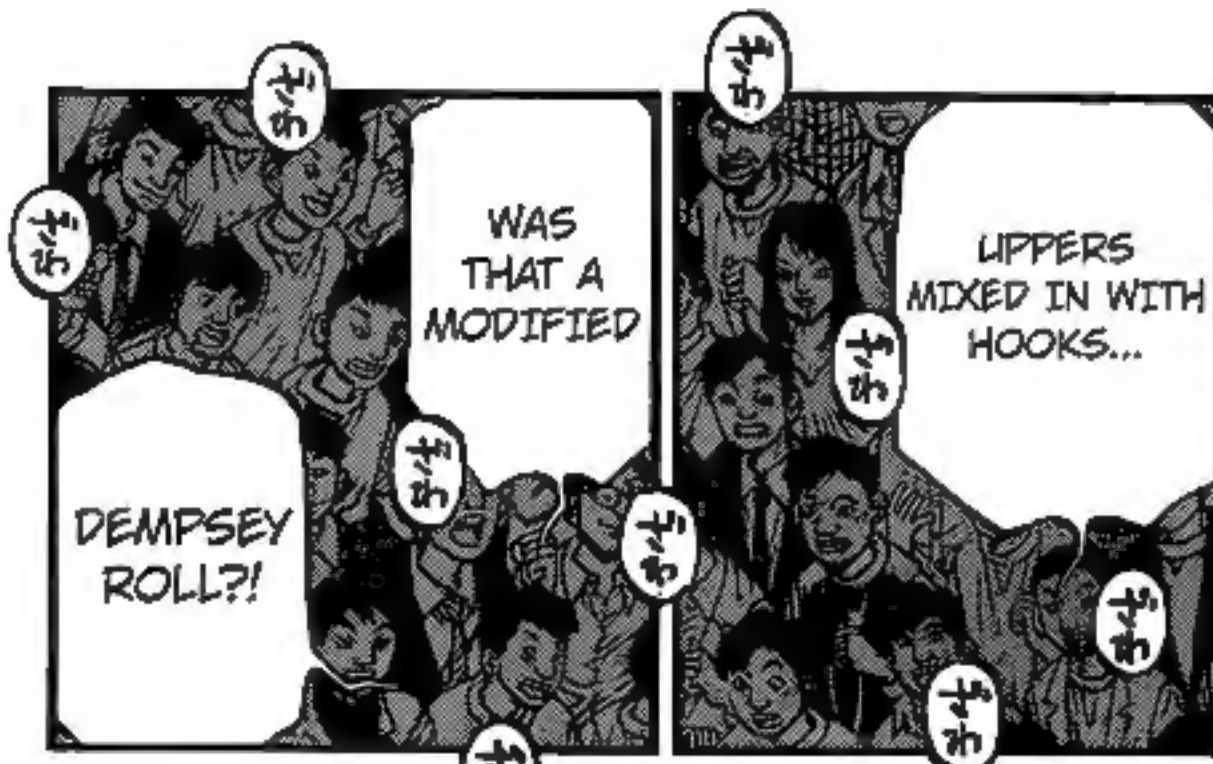














AN  
UPGRADED  
VERSION OF  
THE DEMPSEY  
ROLL!

MAN, HE  
BROUGHT  
SOMETHING  
CRAZY BACK  
TO THE  
RING!!

A DEMPSEY  
THAT CAN GO  
IN ANY DIREC-  
TION!

UP, DOWN,  
SIDE TO SIDE,  
OVER AND  
OVER!

A NEW  
DEMPSEY?  
REALLY?!

ONE  
THAT HAS  
BOTH UPPER-  
CUTS AND  
HOOKS!



WHAT'S  
UP WITH  
HIS LOWER  
BODY?!

HE WAS  
TRYING TO  
JUST NOW!

HE CAN'T  
KEEP THROWIN'  
PUNCHES FROM  
CRAZY ASS  
ANGLES LIKE  
THAT!

HE MUST  
THINK THAT  
HE CAN!

MAKU-  
NOUCHI'S  
ALWAYS HAD  
BEASTLY  
UPPER-  
CUTS,

BUT  
NOW HE  
CAN THROW  
THEM DURING  
THA DEMPSEY?  
REPEATEDLY?!

WHAT  
THA HELL  
WOULDA  
HAPPENED  
NEXT?

GUESS HE  
CAN STILL  
CLOBBER  
PEOPLE  
THROUGH  
THEIR  
DEFENSE.

HE WAS TOO  
WEAK TA HOLD  
UP TA MUCH  
MORE.

WE DIDN'T  
EVEN GET TO  
THE GOOD  
STUFF.

IT STOPPED  
BEFORE HE  
COULD REALLY  
GET ROLLING.

RINSE AND  
REPEAT UNTIL  
THE OTHER  
GUY FALLS  
OVER.

PROBABLY  
JUST KEEP  
MIXING HORI-  
ZONTAL AND  
VERTICAL  
SHOTS...



MANGA  
STREAM  
DO NOT MIRROR



WHAT  
KINDA  
POWER  
DOES HE  
HAVE  
NOW?!



A THOUSANDFOLD...

A MILLIONFOLD...

A BILLIONFOLD  
POWER!!

SURGING  
THROUGH  
HIS BODY!